

# Get Ready to Read

# with Medina County District Library

## The Importance of Scribbling

Scribbling is an early handwriting skill. Encourage interest by providing your child with lots of opportunities to scribble, draw, and 'write.'

- Keep plenty of paper and chunky crayons handy.
- Model drawing straight lines and circles.
- Offer opportunities to draw in sand, mud, shaving cream, cornmeal, or pudding.
- Build hand strength with pinching and squeezing activities such as playing with playdough, building with blocks, and moving items (like cotton balls) with tongs or tweezers.

Knowing that more formal handwriting will be taught later in school, praise early efforts by posting their work on the refrigerator or wall, or take photos and share them with other family members!

### **Events at MCDL**

#### **Virtual Storytime**

Zoom - Mon., Sept. 13 - Nov. 15, 9:30 am, all ages Enjoy books, rhymes, songs, and fingerplays! Register for one or all at mcdl.info/Storytimes.

#### **Parachute Drop**

Medina - Fri., Nov. 5, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm, ages 3 & up Make a parachute and test it from the third floor. Register at mcdl.info/events.

#### **Turkey Tales Storytime**

Zoom - Thurs., Nov. 18, 6:30 pm, all ages Gobble up some stories! Register at mcdl.info/events.

### **Fingerplay**

#### **Peter Pointer**

Peter Pointer is up and Peter Pointer is down Peter Pointer is dancing all around the town

(point index finger up) (point down)

Dancing on my shoulders Dancing on my head Dancing on my knees Now put them all to bed

(dance fingers all around!) (touch shoulders) (touch head) (touch knees) (hide fingers behind your back)

### **Books to Read**

Better Together, Cinderella: A Big Sister Fairy Tale by Ashley Franklin Change Sings: A Children's Anthem by Amanda Gorman Norman Didn't Do It by Ryan T. Higgins

Bear Is a Bear by Jonathan Stutzman Dragonboy by Fabio Napoleoni There's a Mouse in My House by Ross Collins



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Fun activities to promote literacy and learning

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	I Virtual Storytime (Details on other side.)	<b>2</b> How many different colored leaves can you find outside?	<b>3</b> Play hide and go seek.	<b>4</b> Read a fairy tale.	<b>5</b> Parachute Drop at Medina Library (Details on other side.)	<b>6</b> Make a fairy tale castle from boxes.
<b>7</b> Share a snack. Count out how many pieces each person gets.	<b>8</b> Look at the night sky. How many stars can you see?	<b>9</b> Make play dough. What can you create?	<b>IO</b> Line up pairs of shoes from the smallest to the largest.	II Veterans Day. Talk about the American flag.	<b>I 2</b> Talk about the weather. Is it sunny? Cold?	<b>I3</b> Practice "reading" store logos. How many can you recognize?
<b>14</b> How many steps is it from your front door to the door of your room?	<b>I 5</b> Read The Three <i>Little Pigs</i> .	<b>16</b> Have your child retell <i>The Three Little</i> <i>Pigs to you.</i>	<b>17</b> Listen to an audiobook from the library.	<b>18</b> Virtual Turkey Tales Storytime (Details on other side.)	<b>19</b> Talk with your child about healthy food choices and share a healthy snack.	<b>20</b> Parents, tell your child about your favorite teacher.
<b>2 I</b> Work on a puzzle as a family.	<b>22</b> Bake something together. Go over each step of the recipe.	<b>23</b> How many words can you think of that rhyme with rain?	<b>24</b> Burn some calories. How many jumping jacks can you do?	<b>25</b> Make a list of things you are thankful for.	<b>26</b> Draw a picture of something that makes you happy.	<b>27</b> Sing your favorite song at the top of your lungs.
<b>28</b> Look for circles. They are everywhere!	<b>29</b> Make a pattern with your toys.	<b>30</b> Talk about sign language. What are some everyday gestures you use?				