April 2023

Early Literacy activities you can do at home, school, or the library with young children. Read, write, sing, play, and talk all week long!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 Word of the Week: Orbit "All the planets in our solar system orbit the sun".	1 READ Earth by Quinn Arnold	2 WRITE Write or draw a story about outer space.	3 SING "The Wheels on the Bus". Orbit around the room as you sing!	4 PLAY Make a space ship out of things around the house.	5 TALK Get ready for the eclipse by talking with your grown-up about how to safely use eclipse glasses!	6 Stop by Your Brothers Bookstore for an eclipse themed storytime and craft! Eclipse glasses will be given out while supplies last. From 11am-1pm.
7 Word of the Week: Eclipse "On April 8th the moon will completely block out the sun, causing an eclipse".	8 <mark>READ</mark> <i>Eclipse</i> by Andy Rash	9 WRITE What happened during the eclipse yesterday? Write about it!	10 SING "Moon" by Pinkfong on YouTube.	11 PLAY Get some flashlights and make shadow puppets on the wall.	12 TALK What other events happen only once in a lifetime? Talk about them with a grown-up!	13 Explore the wonder of flight with us at the EVV airport for Second Saturday Stories. From 10am-11am.
 14 Word of the Week: Water "Watch how the water flows down the canyon and into the valley". 	15 READ Raindrops Roll by April Pulley Sayre	16 WRITE Write a list of your favorite activities that involve water.	17 SING "The Itsy Bitsy Spider". Try different hand motions for the spider.	18 PLAY Have your grown-up fill a pot with water. Take some measuring spoons and practice measuring and pouring!	19 TALK Talk with your grown-up about water safety! How can you stay safe around water?	20 Visit us at Wesselman Woods for their Earth Day Celebration! From 10am-2pm.
21 Word of the Week: Habitat "Fish must live in a habitat that is made up of water".	22 READ Whale In A Fishbowl by Troy Howell & Richard Jones	23 WRITE Pretend you are researching an alien species. Write about their habitat.	24 SING "Old MacDonald Had a Farm". Think of what animals would or wouldn't live on a farm.	25 PLAY Create a habitat for your stuffed animals. What kinds of things do you think they'd like?	26 TALK Talk with your grown-up about your favorite animal. What is their habitat like?	27 Come out to EVPL North Park to paint sea shells in anticipation of author Elin Hilderbrand's visit! From 1:30-2:30pm.
28 Word of the Week: Gravity "Earth's gravity is what makes objects fall to the ground when dropped".	29 READ <i>After The Fall</i> by Dan Santat	30 WRITE What would happen if the Earth had no gravity? Write down your ideas.	STEAM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math. As we move through spring and towards summer, each month will tackle a different component of STEAM, starting with science this month. As the weather warms up, take an opportunity to get outside and see the eclipse and explore the natural world.			