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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Like and follow Better Beginnings on Facebook for more ideas based on the activities suggested in this calendar.	1 Read Read your favourite animal book aloud. Encourage your child to join in with the animal noises.	2 Talk Take a walk in a garden and talk about what a plant needs to grow.	3 Sing Share the rhyme "Washing in the Washing Machine" with actions.	4 Write Give your child some chalk to write and draw with.	5 Play Clap out the syllables in each of the names of your family members.	6 Read It's Story Saturday! Read <i>Time for Bed</i> by Mem Fox.
7 STEM Make and describe playdough shapes. Are they short, long, fat, or thin?	8 Read Share a singable book or a book that incorporates a song, like <i>Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons</i> by Eric Litwin.	9 Talk Link words like 'up' and 'down' with actions to help your baby understand their meaning.	10 Sing It's Sing-along Wednesday! Sing and Dance to the "Hokey Pokey".	11 Write Ask your child to draw a picture of their favourite animal.	12 Play Play: I Spy, with my little eye, something that rhymes with dog!	13 Read It's Story Saturday! Read <i>Too Much Stuff</i> by Emily Gravett.
14 STEM Celebrate the International Day of Mathematics by singing a counting song together!	15 Read Reading diverse books can help your child develop respect for Australia's cultural diversity.	16 Talk If you speak two or more languages in your home, speak those languages to your baby.	17 Sing It's Sing-along Wednesday! Sing "Five in the Bed".	18 Write Make a name sign for your child's bedroom door together.	19 Play Think of words with the same starting sound as a word you read in a book.	20 Read Celebrate World Storytelling Day by telling your child a favourite story!
21 STEM The Miximal app by developer YatatoY is a digital flipbook where you can create new animal combinations and sound out the new animal names. *	22 Read Visit your library and look for rhyming books to read aloud to your child.	23 Talk Collect items with different textures to feel and describe.	24 Sing Sing "I Went to Visit a Jungle One Day". What animals will you sing about?	25 Write Encourage your child to rip and crumple pieces of paper and use them to make a collage.	26 Play Make a rhyming basket. Collect items and ask your child to pair objects with similar sounds e.g. cat and hat.	27 Read It's Story Saturday! Read <i>Ten Sleepy Sheep</i> by Renee Trembl.
28 STEM Read <i>We're Going on a Bear Hunt</i> by Michael Rosen and talk about the concepts of over, under and through.	29 Read Read <i>It's My Birthday</i> by Helen Oxenbury.	30 Talk Point out and talk about what 's making the sounds you hear when out on a walk.	31 Sing It's Sing-along Wednesday! Sing "Open Shut Them".	<i>Books, rhymes, and songs mentioned here are suggestions only. Substitute any titles you can't find or songs you don't know with books, rhymes, and songs that you already love.</i>		

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