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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.	<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>	1 Write Trace around some shape stencils together.	2 Play Play animal charades together.	3 Read Story Saturday! Read <i>Our Home, Our Heartbeat</i> by Adam Briggs.	
4 NAIDOC WEEK NAIDOC Week starts today, celebrating the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.	5 Read Read <i>Little Bird's Day</i> by Sally Morgan. Look for birds that live near you and observe what they do.	6 Talk Talk about the names of baby animals. Read <i>What Do You Call a Baby...?</i> By Kamsani Bin Salleh.	7 Sing It's Sing-along Wednesday! Sing a goodbye song.	8 Write Read <i>Colour Me</i> by Ezekiel Kwaymullina. Draw a picture of a rainbow.	9 Play Do the actions in <i>Look, See, Look at Me</i> by Leonie Norrington.	10 Read Story Saturday! Read <i>Cheeky Animals</i> by Shane Morgan.
11 STEM STEM Sunday! Make a rain cloud in a jar with water, shaving cream and food colouring.	12 Read Borrow a poetry book from your library and read aloud some poems together.	13 Talk Touch your ears, pat your nose, tickle baby's little toes!	14 Sing Sing a gentle song that you know as a lullaby to your baby tonight.	15 Write Share an alphabet book with your child.	16 Play When your child is playing, offer them new words to add to their play.	17 Read Story Saturday! Read <i>Norton the Bear</i> by Gabriel Evans.
18 STEM STEM Sunday! Let your child observe the different textures and smells of ingredients when you are cooking.	19 Read Read <i>The Boo-Book</i> by Jennifer Mars. What birds can you hear where you live?	20 Talk Name the colours you and your child are wearing today.	21 Sing Sing the first line of a song your toddler knows and pause to let them sing the second line.	22 Write Look for the letter "A" today. Trace your fingers around each A that you find.	23 Play Children's Book Week is next month. Start planning your costume ideas!	24 Read Story Saturday! Read <i>If I Had a Unicorn</i> by Gabby Dawnay.
25 STEM STEM Sunday! Freeze model dinosaurs in ice. Then ask your junior paleontologist to find the best ways to melt the ice!	26 Read Read <i>Happy Days</i> by Sue deGennaro. What are the things that make your days happy?	27 Talk Visit a museum or art gallery. Ask your child questions about what you both see.	28 Sing Sing "This is the Way We..." through your daily routines today.	29 Write Seal squirts of paint in zip lock bags. Squish the bags to mix the colours!	30 Play It's the International Day of Friendship. Play with a friend or read a story about friends.	31 Read Story Saturday! Read a story about diggers and trucks today.