



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 STEM STEM Sunday! Talk about where honey comes from and sing "Here Is the Beehive".		<i>Like and follow Better Beginnings on Facebook for more ideas based on the activities suggested in this calendar.</i>			1 Play Collect a few cardboard boxes of different sizes to build a box construction.	2 Read It's Story Saturday! Read a book about an adventurer like Stellarphant by James Foley.
3 STEM STEM Sunday! Make a list of things that you can see at night that you can't see during the day.	4 Read P is for pages. Show your child the components of a book as you read, the cover, the title, the spine and the pages!	5 Talk Talk with your child about an experience you shared over the weekend.	6 Sing Sing Two Little Dickie Birds . Which other songs do you know with finger actions?	7 Write Print out pictures of animals or cut out pictures from magazines and make an animal book.	8 Play Play with opposites: reach high and low, take big and little steps, sit down, stand up.	9 Read It's Story Saturday! Listen to an audio book story. Borrow Box is free to access with your library card.
10 Science Week Look for opportunities to introduce your child to science concepts all week in celebration of Science Week.	11 Read Read a book about a scientific topic your child is interested in.	12 Talk Count things you see when you go on a car trip. How many traffic lights? How many trees?	13 Sing Go on a rhyme hunt. Look for things in your house that rhyme e.g. sock and clock.	14 Write Mark special days on a calendar. Count how many days until your next special event.	15 Play Make a mystery box or bag. Help your child to guess what's inside with simple clues.	16 Book Week It's Children's Book Week! This year's theme is "Book an Adventure" Read your child's favourite book together!
17 Book Week Q is for Questions. Ask your child what makes a great book. Make predictions about which book will win the book awards this week.	18 Book Week Look back at the previous years' winners and choose a favourite to re-read.	19 Book Week Talk about the adventures you've been on as a family.	20 Book Week Sing-along Wednesday! Sing Wheels on the Bus What other vehicle can you go on an adventure on?	21 Book Week Draw your favourite character from one of the shortlisted books.	22 Book Week Dress up as your favourite children's book character and make-believe you're in the story.	23 Read It's Story Saturday! Read the winning CBCA early childhood book, or read your favourite book from the shortlist.
24 STEM Today was the day Pluto was downgraded to a dwarf planet. Learn about the other amazing dwarf planets in our solar system.	25 Read Go team! It's nearly finals season for a lot of sports. Read a book about your favourite sport.	26 Talk Ask your child to make the sounds of the wind, rain, cars and animals.	27 Sing Sing a number rhyme like Five Fat Peas . Count the peas (fingers) before they burst out of the pod!	28 Write Sort magnetic letters into "straight", "curvy" and "both" categories.	29 Play Pushing ribbons into an empty plastic bottle is a fun fine motor play for young children.	30 Read It's Story Saturday! Do you have a few books written by the same author? Read them all today!