



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 STEM Talk with your child about the seasons and the changes in weather that are happening where you live.		Like and follow Better Beginnings on Facebook for more ideas based on the activities suggested in this calendar.		Substitute any titles you can't find or songs you don't know with books, rhymes, and songs that you already love.		1 Read It's Story Saturday! Let's Build a Boat by Jane Godwin. What can you use to build a boat in your home?
2 STEM STEM Sunday! Observe the sky tonight – can you see any stars?	3 Read Point out and read words out loud that you see when you are out e.g., street signs, traffic signs, roadwork signs.	4 Talk Plan to visit your library and take part in a Rhyme Time session this month.	5 Sing Sing-along Wednesday. Sing Hey Diddle Diddle and talk about the different kinds of instruments you know.	6 Write When your child describes their artwork, add one or two interesting words to their description.	7 Play Hide toys in a bag. Give your children clues as you sing There is Someone Who is Hiding and see if they can guess what it is.	8 Read Visit your local public library and borrow a book about your favourite Australian animal.
9 STEM STEM Sunday! Play with torches to make shadows. What happens when you move the torch?	10 Read Read I Went Walking by Sue Machin. Make the sounds of the animals as you read.	11 Talk W is for Words. Talk often with your child. The more words they hear before they start school – the better prepared they are to read and write.	12 Sing Sing-along Wednesday! Sing Hum Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star to your child and see if they can guess what you are humming.	13 Write Offer your toddler or preschooler lots of chances to practice their scissor skills.	14 Play Playing with shape sorters can help children to recognise different shapes, sizes and colours.	15 Read It's Story Saturday! Read a shapes book like Hello Hello Shapes by Brendan Wenzel.
16 STEM STEM Sunday! Look at a map of Australia together. Find and point out where you live on the map.	17 Read Listen to a kids podcast or audio book today!	18 Talk Name the patterns on the clothes you and your child are wearing today. Look for those patterns in other places.	19 Sing Sing-along Wednesday! Sing I Have a Dog and His Name is Rags . Do you have any pets?	20 Write Write your child's name and point out the shape and sound of the first letter.	21 Play Go on a circle hunt today. Look for circles wherever you go!	22 Read X is for 'X Marks the Spot.' Read a book about pirates or treasure today.
23 STEM STEM Sunday! Cook a simple recipe together. Name the ingredients and tools you use.	24 Read Read a touch and feel book today. ABC Nature: Touch and Trace is a great one to explore.	25 Talk What does a cow say? Talk about cows with your child.	26 Sing Sing-along Wednesday! Sing Here is the Beehive , Where are the Bees?	27 Write Play with letter stencils – trace letters and colour them in.	28 Play Play hide and seek looking for things that feel silky, bumpy and sticky.	29 Read It's Story Saturday. Read a book set in a different country today. How is it different from where you live?