

Home Literacy Calendar July 2026

Fun, easy activities to do with your child to help develop their early literacy skills

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		1 Sing Warm up your fingers (and voice) by doing the actions to 'Open Shut Them' as you sing the song.	2 Draw An uppercase A looks like a triangle. Cut the letter A from card so your child can trace the shape.	3 Play Can you hop like a kangaroo? What other animals hop or jump?	4 Read Let Mum or Dad or a loved one choose a book to share today.	5 STEM Can you name some red fruit and vegetables?
6 Read Read a book about shapes. How many can you name?	7 Talk How many animals can you think of that have names that start with B? Bonobo, buffalo, bat...	8 Sing Are you happy? Sing 'If You're Happy and You Know It'.	9 Draw Draw a dinosaur. Roar!	10 Play Blow some bubbles. Playing with bubbles helps young children to develop hand-eye coordination.	11 Read It's NAIDOC Week. Read your favourite book about being on Country.	12 STEM How many dinosaurs can you name? Which one is your favourite?
13 Read Read a book about friends and friendship today. We love <i>A Friend for George</i> by Gabriel Evans.	14 Talk Discuss how foods look and feel. Ask your child "Which is crunchy, which is smooth?"	15 Sing Sing your favourite song. Singing has the power to calm you and your child.	16 Draw Play with an alphabet puzzle. Feel the shapes and make the sounds of the letters.	17 Play Wooden spoons, plastic tubs and pots make great items for fun musical play.	18 Read Read a book about farm animals or farms! Check out <i>Blueberry Farm</i> by Stephen Michael King.	19 STEM Help your child count the knives and forks as you lay the table for dinner.
20 Read Read a rhyming book. Rhyming books are great for helping children hear the smaller sounds that make up words.	21 Talk Order your toys by size. Talk about which toy is the tallest and which is the shortest?	22 Sing Songs are wonderful toys that you can take with you wherever you go. What song should you take with you today?	23 Draw Write your child's name and get them to trace over it.	24 Play Play musical statues. Listen carefully for the music to stop, then freeze!	25 Read It's Story Saturday. Read a non-fiction book about your child's favourite topic.	26 STEM Use a tape measure and help your child measure how tall they are.
27 Read Read a book by Mem Fox. <i>Where is the Green Sheep?</i> has wonderful rhyme and contains lots of opposites.	28 Talk Go for a walk together and talk about the birds that you see. How many different types of birds can you name?	29 Sing Sing the <i>Hokey Pokey</i> and get your body moving.	30 Draw Play restaurants and write a menu for your customers.	31 Play Play dress-ups. Old clothes make great dress-up play props.		

