

June 2024 NEWSLETTER

Themes

Fun in the Sun

Summer is on the horizon. This theme explores all types of sunny day fun. Outdoor and water play opportunities invite children to engage in hands-on learning. Playing games invites the children to learn about teamwork too.

Summer Safety

Summer has finally arrived! This theme teaches children how they can stay safe as they enjoy the great outdoors. Bike safety, water safety, sun safety, and car safety are included.

Alphabet Words

alligator, balloons, cactus, dandelions, eggplant, fork, gorilla, hive

Color/Shape Letters/ Numbers Aa-Hh 1-8

Sign Language





Learn with Me!

Outdoor Obstacle Course

Enjoy the sunny and warm summer days playing outside with your child. Bring out cardboard boxes to crawl through, a ball and a bucket for a toss game, hula hoops to roll or jump in, and other outdoor toys that promote physical activity. Encourage your child to help create fun outdoor games with the materials.

Summer Safety Station

Find items that are associated with summer and summer safety, such as sunscreen, a sunhat, sunglasses, bandages, a life jacket, and a swimsuit. Place the items in a box, and add more toys. Challenge your child to pick out the items that help keep them safe in the summertime. Talk about each of the items and when they might be used.

My Project: Cool Shades

When I bring this project home, we can:

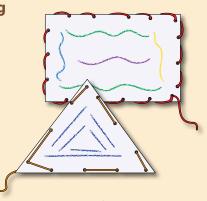
- Include the sunglasses as a prop as we play together.
- Invite our family members to wear sunglasses and take a silly family photo.



My Project: Shape LacingWhen I bring this project

home, we can:

- Talk about the fun and interesting techniques of hole punching and lacing.
- Practice with similar tools at home.



Graphics are intended to show samples of projects.

Materials may be substituted or used differently.

FAMILY CONNECTION

Book List

I See Summer by Charles Ghigna

Summer Song by Kevin Henkes

Summer Color! by Diana Murray

Hello Summer (Hello Seasons)

by Shelley Rotner

Jabari Jumpsby Gaia Cornwall

Runaway Signs by Joan Holub

A Treasure at Sea for Dragon and Me by Jean E. Pendziwol How Do Dinosaurs Stay Safe?

by Jane Yolen

Songs Through Summer

Moving Through Summer Sung to "Ring Around the Rosie"

Skipping, skipping, skipping In the summer sunshine, Skipping, skipping, We all fall down!

Repeat with: hopping, marching, running



Recipe

Stoplight Snacks
graham crackers

cream cheese OR nut butter sliced strawberries, bananas & kiwi

Provide your child with a graham cracker square and a plastic knife. Help break the cracker into smaller rectangular sections. Offer cream cheese or a nut butter to spread onto each rectangle. Invite your child to press the pieces of fruit onto the cracker to resemble a stoplight.



Safety Gear

Sung to "Clementine"

Wear your helmet, Wear your pads, Wear your safety gear outside. You protect your head and body, When you wear your safety gear!





Reminders	