“Play is often talked about as if it were a relief from serious learning. But for children, play is serious learning. Play is really the work of childhood!” ~ Fred Rogers

### School District of Philadelphia Office of Early Childhood

#### Pre-K Summer Activities Calendar

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| **Sign up for a free library card HERE!** | When the sun goes down, go outside and catch fireflies/ lightning bugs. Listen to the story *It's a Firefly Night* | Happy 4th of July! Have a parade, banging different pots and pans listening for varied tones. | Count all the silverware in your kitchen drawer. Which do you have the most of? | Build a fort with chairs, cushions, and blankets. | **1** Read a Book Day! *City Shapes*  
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| **10** Read a Book Day! *Sulwe* | **11** Place a small amount of flour or sugar in a small flat container. Let your child use their pointer finger to write the letters in their name. | Make a map of your house. | **12** Complete *Sensational Senses Activity!* | **13** Go on a counting walk around the neighborhood. Count the number of trees you see or count the parked cars. | **14** Read a Book Day! *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* |
| **17** Read a Book Day! *Suki's Kimono* | Help your child find items in the house that rhyme. | **18** Take a virtual tour through the *Giant Heart at the Franklin Institute!* | Have an outdoor catch with a ball or frisbee. Count the number of catches before the ball drops! | **20** Movie Night! Curl up with your family, a children’s movie, and some popcorn. Discuss the characters you like! | **21** Read a Book Day! *Ten, Nine, Eight* |
| **24** Read a Book Day! *Knuffle Bunny* | Help your child make a musical instrument! Use materials inside your home! | **26** Take a walk around the neighborhood and go on a color hunt. See how many colors you can find. | **27** Make play-dough! Have fun creating and playing!  
https://littlebinsforlittlehands.com/no-cook-playdough/ | **28** Read a Book Day! *The Rainbow Fish* | **29** Enjoy a recorded broadcast from Elmwood Park Zoo’s Education Team on *Zoo School Live!* |
| **31** Use the sidewalk chalk to create a design | | | | | |