



# Calendar of Activities and Ideas

## March 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Celebrate <b>Women in History</b> month by reading <b>Rebel Rousers</b> by Cheryl Harness to learn about some notorious women	2 <b>Read Across America Day/ Dr. Seuss Day</b> Honor Dr. Seuss by reading a favorite book by this famous author	3 <b>Alexander Graham Bell's Birthday</b> Use the telephone to call your grandparents to have a nice day	4 <b>Iditarod Race</b> Go to the library and get some books to learn about the race. Also visit <a href="http://www.iditarod.com/edu">www.iditarod.com/edu</a>
5 <b>Celebrate National Craft Month</b> by creating a unique piece of art from found objects around the house	6 <b>Oreo Cookie Day</b> Have some milk and some Oreo cookies. Enjoy this treat while reading for 30 minutes	7 <b>Newspaper in Education Week</b> Everyone reads a section of the newspaper. Then share and discuss what you learned from the article.	8 Find some comfy pillows, a cozy spot, and a good book. Read for 30 minutes	9 <b>Family Sharing</b> Each member of the family shares something they did at school or work today.	10 <b>Harriet Tubman Day</b> Learn about <b>Harriet Tubman</b> and the <b>Underground RR</b> . Visit <a href="http://Harriettubmanbyway.org">Harriettubmanbyway.org</a> Harriet Tubman Museum and Educational Center	11 <b>Illinois Reads Launch</b> Choose an <b>Illinois Reads</b> book from the new list for bedtime reading tonight
12 <b>Daylight Saving Time</b> Why do we push our clocks forward? Look for the answer on the internet.	13 <b>Family Reading</b> Read a book to your children. Have them retell the story in their own words.	14 <b>Pi Day</b> Celebrate <b>Pi Day</b> by having a slice of pi(e) and reading <b>Sir Cumference and the Dragon of Pi</b>	15 <b>Ides of March</b> Beware of the <b>Ides of March</b> . Search the internet and find out about the <b>Ides of March</b> .	16 <b>Book Swap</b> Get ready for <b>March Madness</b> . Swap or trade a book about basketball. After reading each other's book talk about what you learned.	17 <b>St. Patrick's Day</b> Celebrate St. Patrick's Day by wearing green. Then write in your journal about how to catch or trap a leprechaun.	18 Visit your local library. Find and read a <b>Caldecott</b> book in honor of <b>Ralph Caldecott's birthday</b> this month.
19 <b>World Monopoly Day</b> Get your Monopoly Board and play a game of Monopoly as a family.	20 <b>Spring Begins</b> Grab your PJs and read some spring poetry.	21 <b>Agricultural Day</b> Learn about agricultural and the part it plays in our lives. Visit the following websites <a href="http://www.agday.org">www.agday.org</a> <a href="http://www.agintheclassroom">www.agintheclassroom</a> Illinois Farm Bureau	22 <b>World Water Day</b> Pause and reflect about the millions of people without safe water. Visit <a href="http://www.unwater.org">www.unwater.org</a> <a href="http://www.thewaterproject.org">www.thewaterproject.org</a>	23 <b>Chip and Dip Day</b> Potato chips or Tortilla chips? Grab your favorite dip and snack. Enjoy while reading a book by a favorite author for 30 minutes.	24 <b>Harry Houdini's Birthday</b> Find a book on magic tricks or biography of Harry Houdini. Try mastering a trick to share with a friend or family.	25 <b>Family Day</b> Go on a nature walk and look for the first signs of spring. Then use your sketch book to draw a spring picture.
26 <b>Jerry Pallota Birthday</b> In honor of <b>Jerry Pallota's</b> birthday, choose a book from his new series <b>Who Would Win?</b>	27 <b>Family Reading</b> Do you have a favorite stuffed animal or family pet? Take time to read and share a story or poem with them.	28 <b>Share a book with a younger sibling today.</b>	29 <b>Coca Cola Invented</b> How did Coca Cola get started? Find out about it by visiting the Coke website while enjoying a Coke.	30 <b>Family Reading Night</b> Take a break from video games, the computer, and TV. Read for 30 minutes today.	31 <b>Cesar Chavez Day</b> Learn about Cesar Chavez and his work with migrant farm workers. Read: <b>Who Was Cesar Chavez</b> by Dana M. Rau	

