

Families for Literacy Program Newsletter

September, 2018

Tutors: please go over this newsletter (whatever is appropriate) with your adult student and encourage him/her to visit the Story Times with their children, it's a lot of fun!



Middletown Library: 21256 Washington Street, Middletown, Tuesdays, 11:30 am

Redbud Library, 14785 Burns Valley Rd. Clearlake, Thursday, 11:00 am

Upper Lake Library, 310 2nd St, Upper Lake, 2, 3, and 4, Wednesday at 2:30 pm

Lakeport Library, back to: 1425 N. High St. Lakeport, Fridays, 10:15 am and 2:30 pm

International Literacy Day September 8th: LITERACY IS FREEDOM

WHY? Because Literacy gives you knowledge and the ability to share and express knowledge with others. In these ways, literacy represents freedom - freedom for you to learn, to go where you want to go in the world, and to seek opportunities in order to take your next steps. Literacy also allows opportunities to find you! Literacy is liberating because it opens the door to your future.

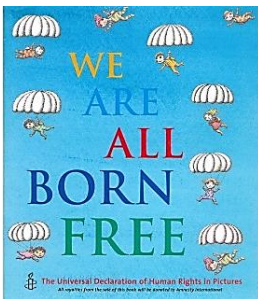


The MORE that you read,
the MORE things you will know.
The MORE that you LEARN,
the MORE places you'll go.



One of the best ways to honor Literacy is to make sure your child catches the "reading bug" early on: Celebrate Literacy Day on September 8, and on every day by

- ⊗ Making a commitment to go with your children to the library on a regular basis.
- ⊗ Making sure your children see you reading - you are their role model.
- ⊗ Most of all: **Reading to your children and with your children!**



← This is a great book for children and adults alike (available at your library): **We are all born free**, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in pictures, illustrations by artists from around the world, by Amnesty International



SING and RHYME with us

Reading

A story is a special thing:
The ones that I have read
They do not stay inside the books
They stay inside my head.

More

The more you read,
The more you know.
The more you know,
The smarter you grow.
The smarter you grow,
The stronger your voice,
When speaking your mind
or making your choice.

I like books *tune: I am a little teapot*

Hey, I do like books
I really do -
Books with stories
And pictures, too.

I like Books of birds
And things that grow
Books of people
We should know.

Books of animals
And places, too,
I like books
I really do!

Dry erase activity/coloring book

Looking for a simple, fun way to keep your kids entertained over and over and help them with color recognition, motor skills, focus, coordination and more? This dry erase activity book is a fun idea for kids of all ages and is a perfect companion for doctor's visits, car trips, and just for having something fun to do at home.



WHAT YOU NEED:

- Crayola Dry Erase **crayons**: they do not smudge like markers, around \$3 (W-mart)
- Page protectors,
- A simple 3 ring binder.
- Copies of your kids favorite activities

WHAT YOU DO:

Put all your sheets in the page protectors and place them in your binder. They are easy to use and wipe clean with a cloth or wet paper towel.

You can add blank pieces of colored cardstock behind each sheet to provide rigidity to the page, but also so your little artist can draw anything he or she wants.

- TIPS:**
- Decorate the binder with colorful stickers and keep it interesting by changing the pages from time to time.
 - You can copy pages from coloring books, workbooks or download free coloring pages, word games etc. online -

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• ONLINE PRINTABLE RESOURCES •

Google [free coloring pages for kids](#), or use these links:

[leap frog educational sheets](#)

[pbs themed printables and coloring pages](#)

[kinder tastic - "seasons"](#)

[coloring pages for kids - lots of coloring pages](#)

[fisher-price coloring pages](#)

September Tune: Are You Sleeping?

It's September. It's September. Fall is near. Fall is near.

We are making new friends. We are making new friends.

School is here. School is here. (OR: *Fall is here. Fall is here*)

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