

JUNE 2021

# Family Newsletter



## June Book List

### **Rosie the Dragon and Charlie Make Waves**

by Lauren H. Kerstein

### **Cannonball**

by Sacha Cotter

### **Brownie & Pearl Take a Dip**

by Cynthia Rylant

### **Stewie the Duck Learns to Swim**

by Kim and Stew Leonard

### **Leo Can Swim**

by Anna McQuinn

### **Llama Llama Learns to Swim**

by Anna Dewdney

### **Spot Goes to the Swimming Pool**

by Eric Hill

### **Jabari Jumps**

by Gaia Cornwall

### **1, 2, 3, Jump!**

by Lisl H Detlefsen

### **Maisy Learns to Swim**

by Lucy Cousins

### **Curious George Goes Swimming**

by Margaret and H.A. Rey

## JUNE UPDATES

Hooray! Summer is here!

Bring on the popsicles and sprinklers!

We are so excited about our summer curriculum. School age children will be invited to take a "voyage" and explore topics that interest them. Some of the voyages include:

- The Superbowl
- The Eiffel Tower
- Ruth Bader Ginsberg
- The Grand Canyon
- The Great Wall of China
- ...And More!

If you still have questions about our summer program, see the Center Director.

With COVID vaccination rates increasing and mask restrictions changing, we are laying out our plans to welcome families back into the center! This will likely include policies such as limiting the number of parents permitted in the building at one time. It continues to be our priority to keep everyone, children, teachers and families, safe so please continue to adhere to health and safety guidelines until you receive instructions from the Center Director.

If you are still in need of the vaccine, websites like [www.findyourvaccine.org](http://www.findyourvaccine.org) are a great resource!



## Fun Fact

Did you know that in the hot summer months the Eiffel Tower actually grows taller due to a phenomenon called thermal expansion.



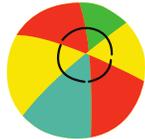
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# BRINGING IT HOME



RESOURCES AND ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES

## INFANTS



### Exploring Sponges

While your child is sitting in a highchair or other seat, place a small, shallow container of water in front of them and place a few sponges next to the container. Let your child explore what happens when they pick up the sponge or squeeze the sponge. Then show your child how to place it in the container of water. Let them then explore what happens with the sponge is full of water.

### Water Tray

Using a baking sheet, add enough water to cover the entire sheet. Allow your older infant or younger toddler to splash and play in the water. Make it more interesting by adding sponges, spoons, or other toys that your child can use to move the water.

## TODDLERS



### Stacking Water Fun

Take 2-3 pool noodles and cut them into 1-2 inch pieces. Fill a small pool or water table with water. Place the pool noodle pieces into the water. Let your toddler experiment with stacking the pool noodles, sorting them by color, fishing them out of the water with a strainer, and even stringing them onto a piece of yarn.

## PRESCHOOL AND PRE-K



### Water Safety

The hot, summer months are quickly approaching! The Red Cross has great resources for parents about water safety, instructions how to teach your kids to swim and an app to help you learn more about how to be safe in and around water. Text "SWIM" to 90999 to download the app or go to the link below to learn more.

 <http://bit.ly/JuneWaterSafety>

# Curriculum Corner

## Artist of the Month



This new and exciting program allows Preschool and Pre-K children to explore different artists, their styles of creating art

and their most famous pieces of artwork. Children get a chance to learn about the artist's life and how they created their most recognizable pieces of art. Then children have a chance to use those same styles to create their own masterpieces. Children are able to express themselves and use their creativity to come up with their own versions of the masterpieces they learned about or use techniques that the artists used to make their own original pieces of art.

## SCHOOL AGE



### Make Learning Fun this Summer!

With the school year drawing to a close, there is one major thing on every school age's mind - SUMMER VACATION! Just because school's out for the summer, doesn't mean the learning also has to end. Check out the link below from Scholastic for some fun summer activities to help your child avoid the dreaded summer slide.

<http://bit.ly/JuneSummerSlide> 

