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It has been an absolute pleasure to work with your children this year. I've seen how hard the students have worked all year long. Summer break can be a perfect time for relaxing AND learning. Please try to keep the learning going, making it fun! Take some time to practice some math facts or numbers and of course reading. We want to continue to support our Love of Reading. Keeping children active, both physically and mentally, during the summer is important. Just as important is remembering that parents need to do this as well. Find activities that all of you can enjoy together. I wish you all a safe and happy summer.

## FUN WAYS TO KEEP KIDS LEARNING ALL SUMMER LONG

read everyday O bake cookies act out a story create with playdough O make sock puppets Create a puppet show o pop popcorn send a postcard grow a vegetable grow sunflowers O visit an art gallery O visit a museum O look at the stars O make a marble maze O examine a rockpool 🗘 ride a train 🔿 ride a bus 💊 O visit the zoo Iearn a new song 🗘 try yoga O visit the library O make paper planes and measure how far they fly O go on a number walk decorate a t-shirt O play a card game O play a board game O make up a game O bake a cake C cook dinner O visit a farmer's market O do a science experiment O make and test a solar oven O make slime 🗘 try origami O write a thank you note 🗘 do a jigsaw puzzle O play charades O make a movie about a day in your life O visit an elderly relative

## O play I spy

- O make a treasure map
- O make a bird feeder
- O try lego mosaics
- read to a sibling
- O explore the backyard with a magnifying glass
- O go on a hike
- C fingerprint each family member and compare
- O make a bug hotel
- invent a new smoothie recipe
- C make a word search
- O write your plans for the week on a calendar
- O write a movie review
- O learn how to use the washing machine
- O draw a self portrait
- O write a letter to an author you admire
- O try a new fruit or vegetable O make a sundial
- member of your family
- O draw with chalk
- O make up a secret code and write secret messages
- repair something
- Create a family time capsule
- O tell a story at dinnertime
- O design a new cover for the last book you read
- O play dominoes
- O read for 20 minutes without stopping
- O make a straw rocket
- O interview a family member
- O play with water beads
- play with a friend

## O make up a dance

- O create a collection of the best jokes for kids
- O make popsicles
- Create a family tree
- read a non-fiction book
- O make a schedule (with times) for the day
- O build a card tower
- O make an obstacle course
- O watch a documentary
- read with a flashlight
- O paint
- 🗘 make homemade pizza
- 🗘 write a poem
- Collect 100 of something
- O play a ball game
- O draw a plan of your bedroom
- O make ice cream in a bag
- 🗘 volunteer at an animal rescue facility
- O measure the height of each O find 5 interesting facts about a topic of interest
  - O listen to an audio story
  - O make moon sand
  - O film a music video
  - C host an art show
  - O make a drop helicopter perform a random act of
  - kindness
  - O make a terrarium
  - O make story stones
  - Create a new superhero
  - O sew a softie
  - O start a journal
  - O learn something new

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