Kindergarten Summer Preparation

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Here are some things your child should know in order to put their best foot forward in the fall:

- ★ Know the name of the upper case letters in the alphabet.
- ★ Know most of the lower case letter names in the alphabet.
- Practice the sounds of the letters in the alphabet
- ★ Know how to count out loud to 20 or more.
- * Attempt to write the numbers 0-10
- Write their name correctly using only a capital at the beginning of their name, the rest lower case.
- ★ Interact, read, or listen to a story or book for 10 minutes or more.
- * Make and identify words that RHYME
- * Answer questions about stories that are read to them.
- Take multistep directions without help. For example; Pick up your toys, put them in the toy box and meet me at the couch OR take out your crayons, color the picture and then write your name on the page.
- * Recognize and read environmental print such as "PUBLIX" and "JUICY JUICE"
- \star Name and recognize their colors.
- Communicate their personal information such as full name, telephone number, address with city and birthday.

Fine Motor Skills

*Here are some ideas to build your child's fine motor skills:

- [™] practice cutting and coloring
- have fun with lacing, small puzzles and dot to dot puzzles.
- [™]Use tweezers to pick up small objects
- PLAYDOUGH!
- Bean bag catching and tossing
- Shaving cream writing
- Sorting small objects
- "Using hole punches
- Tracing over lines

Find great ideas on Pinterest.com by typing in "fun fine motor skills activities"





<u>Great Learning Sites</u> <u>for Students</u>

StarFall ~

http://more.starfall.com/m/welcome/index/load.htm

Wonderful for letters, sounds and word reading. Music, videos and interactive games. They also offer a paid site for yearly subscription that gives you even more

ABCYa Kindergarten Games ~ http://www.abcya.com/kindergarten_computers.htm Fun games to reinforce important Kindergarten Readiness skils

Florida Center For Reading Research – FCRR ~ http://www.fcrr.org/for-educators/sca_k-1_rev.asp This site has great activities and games that can be printed and used for practice. *scroll to bottom of page for links.

Top 10 Kindergarten Apps For Little Learners~ http://www.education.com/slideshow/kindergartenapps/

> Storyline Online ~ Read Aloud books <u>http://www.storylineonline.net/</u>

Sites for Parents

Educations.com – 10 kindergarten Readiness Skills http://www.education.com/magazine/article/kinderga rten-readiness-secrets/

Reading Rockets

http://www.readingrockets.org/audience/parents

<u>Suggested Summer Reading</u> <u>Great Titles and Series to</u> <u>check out:</u>

Letter and Sound and Sight Word Books:

<u>Bob Books</u> – great link with activities and information for this series –

http://bobbooks.com/

<u>Dr. Seuss Books</u>- great for hearing and identifying rhyming words, practice rhyming after reading.

<u>Eric Carle Books</u> – predictable text that encourage word reading and tracing words across the page.

<u>Any Scholastic Sight word Reader Series Packs</u> – found at Barnes and Noble or Amazon.com

READ-ALOUD BOOKS:

These books are great to read aloud to your child and have book discussions and ask questions.

Any Fairy Tales <u>Pete the Cat</u> <u>Biscuit Books</u> <u>Wimberley Worried</u> <u>Kindergarten Rocks</u> <u>I Like Myself</u> <u>First Day Jitters</u> <u>Kissing Hand</u> <u>The Night before Kindergarten</u> <u>Little Engine that Could</u>

