## WSRA Families and Literacy Committee Presents...

## The Calendar of Ideas for January 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 New Year's Day! Each family member writes their favorite memory from 2017. Share them after.	2 Read <u>Squirrel's</u> <u>New Year's</u> <u>Resolution by</u> Pat Miller. Each person writes a resolution or goal for the upcoming year.	3 Go through your collection of books. Take out the ones you don't read and bring to a Little Library or donate them some place.	4 Family Reading Day Talk about the goals you made earlier in the week. Write a plan to work toward the goal.	5 Read <u>Soup Day</u> by Melissa Iwai then find your own soup recipe to make for dinner.
6 Take a winter walk. Then read <u>The</u> <u>Snowy Day.</u> Compare your journey with that of the main character.	7 Read <u>The Mitten</u> by Jan Brett. Retell the story, pretending to be characters or creating your own.	8 Read <u>The Hat</u> by Jan Brett. Compare this book to <u>The Hat</u> . You can act this one out too!	9 Read <u>The Three</u> <u>Snow Bears</u> by Jan Brett. Then compare it to the story of The Three Bears.	10 Make up a story together. Each person says one sentence, adding on until the story seems complete!	11 Family Reading Day: Read <u>The Coziest</u> <u>Place</u> by Jon Davis then enjoy hot cocoa or cookies like in the book.	12 Get a poem book from the library. Read them in various ways. Try to write a few of your own!
13 Read <u>A Bear Called</u> <u>Paddington</u> then watch the movie. Compare and discuss which you like better.	14 Martin King Luther Jr. Birthday: Celebrate and learn more about him by doing research online or getting a book at the library.	15 Get an I Spy book, Make it a game and see who can find the most. Help each other and expand vocabulary by using positional words (ie above).	16 Listen to an audio book or family podcast. Discuss what part stood out most after it's done!	17 Write a note to each member in your family.	18 Family Reading Day Find directions on how to make a snowflake from paper. Read and follow them to make your own!	19 Create a fort indoors and snuggle up together to read books.
20 Author's Birthday: Tedd Arnold! Search online for his biography and list of books. Choose one, or a series, to read together as a family!	21 Martin Luther King Jr. Day! Read <u>Martin's Big</u> <u>Words</u> by Doreen Rappapport. Talk about your dream for the world.	22 Take a walk around the house, spotting all the words and print you can find hidden around the house.	23 Think of a family member or friend you haven't talked to in a while. Write and mail them a note or message.	24 Each family member draws a picture. They pass it to the person on their left. That person tells (or writes) a story about the picture.	25 Family Reading Day: Find an audiobook at the library or Podcast, then discuss it as a family.	26 Go to the library and ask the librarian for his/her recommendation for a new book or series to read.
27 Read <u>Anansi the Spider</u> by Gerald McDermott. Discuss what you know about the characters while reading.	28 Read <u>Zomo the</u> <u>Rabbit: A Trickster</u> <u>Tale</u> by Gerald McDermott. Describe and discuss Zomo.	29 Read <u>Raven: A</u> <u>Trickster Tale</u> by Gerald McDermott. Discuss and describe Raven.	30 Go to the library and find one more Gerald McDermott book. Discuss the characters in that story!	31 Author's Birthday: Gerald McDermott. Discuss your favorite book from the week and share your favorite character.		

Enjoy time learning, writing, and reading together as a family!