

WSRA Families and Literacy Committee Presents...

The Calendar of Ideas for January 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 New Year's Day! Write a goal you would like to accomplish this year and share the goals as a family.	2 At the dinner table, talk about your favorite family memories from 2017.	3 Together, write about your favorite 2017 memories and make it into a book!	4 Take time to write thank you notes to family members today.	5 Family Reading Day Get outside! If there is snow on the ground, mix water with food coloring in spray bottle to write words on the snow.	6 Get a cookbook at the library. Read and try a new recipe for dinner today!
7 Go to the library today. Enjoy cuddling up and reading books on a cold winter day!	8 Find some old nursery rhymes to read together. Try reading them in different voices.	9 Go on a snowy adventure after reading <u>The Snowy Day</u> then write your own book about your trip!	10 Learn the months in the year, finding silly ways to sing, dance, and chant them until all the family members know the order!	11 Get a Where's Waldo book and make it into a game! See who can find the most.	12 Family Reading Day: Make some hot cocoa, then snuggle in for a good movie. Talk about your favorite parts.	13 Take a winter walk. Make a list when you get home of all the things you saw.
14 Try brining a snowball inside. Leave it on a piece of paper and notice what happens. When it's gone, look for the wet spot and make it into a fun picture.	15 Martin King Luther Jr. Birthday: Celebrate and learn more about him by doing research online or getting a book at the library.	16 Play a board game. Discuss the rules and read directions together. Choose a game with lots of talking, like Headbanz!	17 Listen to an audio book or family podcast. Discuss what part stood out most after it's done!	18 Thesaurus Day! Each family member choose a favorite word. Look up or think of words just like it!.	19 Family Reading Day National Popcorn Day! Make some popcorn to enjoy as a snack while reading books together.	20 Author's Birthday: Tedd Arnold Read a book from his Fly Guy series.
21 Create an indoor treasure hunt. Work together to write clues for one family member to solve leading to a "treasure spot".	22 Author's Birthday: Fafe Martin. Read <u>Cinderella</u> then compare with his book, <u>The Rough-Face Girl</u>	23 Make a family vocabulary jar. Have words on paper, take one out and discover the meaning together.	24 Read <u>The Hat</u> by Jan Brett. As a family act out the story.	25 Look up the temperature today. Discuss the average and learn more about weather patterns.	26 Family Reading Day: Create a family fort. Get some flashlights and read together inside!	27 Go through your collection of books. Find some you no longer need, then go to the nearest Little Library to donate them.
28 Go through the newspaper. Find positive articles to read and discuss together.	29 Author's Birthday: Rosemary Wells. Check out her website: https://www.rosemarywells.com/ and choose a book about Max to read.	30 Make dessert together as a family. Create your own recipe and write it out.	31 Author's Birthday: Gerald McDermott. Read a trickster tale and discuss the lesson learned.			

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