EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES & SEASONAL ACTIVITIES

Mindfulness, Self-Awareness & Focus

Breathe Think Do With Sesame app Balloon Pop app Cosmic Kids Yoga - YouTube

Letter, Numbers, Printables & More!

Numberita app
Busy Shapes and Colors App
HOMER Learn and Grow app
123 Toddler Games (2+ and 3+) app
Sorting Puzzles for Kids app
Kids Balloon Pop Language Game app
Kids Academy: Pre-K-3 Learning app
PBSkids.org - educational games
nickjr.com - educational games
sesamestreet.org
funbrainjr.com
starfall.com

https://www.crayola.com/athome

https://www.nickelodeonparents.com/

https://www.melissaanddoug.com/blog/

https://www.edubuzzkids.com/

Science & Social Studies

My Very Hungry Caterpillar app - develops a love of nature and exploration

Dinosaur Park - Jurassic Dig! app - find fossils and assemble a dino

Curious George STEM videos: https://www.pbslearningmedia.org/collection/curiousgeorge/

Happy Learning English - YouTube

Kids Academy - YouTube

National Geographic Kids - all about animals (fun facts and quick 1-2 minute educational videos) https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/

Highlights for Kids - games, puzzles and a cute science "explore" section highlightskids.com

SciShow Kids! - YouTube

Ranger Rick - short educational animal videos https://rangerrick.org/videos/

The Whizpops!- YouTube cute song videos that teach about animals

The Book Nook: Stories, Printables & Activities from our Favorite Preschool Authors

https://storylineonline.net/

Mo Willems

https://pigeonpresents.com/get-busy/

Dr. Seuss

https://www.seussville.com/parents/

Eric Carle

https://eric-carle.com/resources/downloads-and-activities/

Jan Brett

https://www.janbrett.com/

Kevin Henkes

https://kevinhenkes.com/for-teachers-librarians-parents/

Pinkalicious

https://www.thinkpinkalicious.com/activities/

Thomas and Friends

http://www.thomasandfriends.com/en-gb/activities

Curious George

https://www.curiousgeorge.com/

Llama Llama

http://www.llamallamabook.com/activities/

If You Give A Mouse A Cookie

https://www.mousecookiebooks.com/activities/

Check out these Stanley seasonal bucket lists for a few fun ideas designed to inspire, encourage and excite!

TOP TEN WINTER BUCKET LIST

- 1). Go on a shape (or color/letter/number!) scavenger hunt!
- 2). Use extra wrapping paper and ribbon to practice fine motor and scissor skills. Feel free to rip away!
- 3). There's never been a better time to make homemade play dough! Bonus points if it's scented!

 Great for sensory play and strengthening hands!
- 4). Build with marshmallows! Names, numbers, letters, shapes....the possibilities are endless!
- 5). Construct a hibernation cave with lots of pillows and blankets cozy enough for a sleepy bear!
- 6). Investigate the snow owl and other wild birds at Raptor Trust. https://theraptortrust.org/education/nature-packet/
- 7). Not just a summer treat....assemble a line of s'mores all while practicing counting, one-to-one correspondence and following a sequence!
- 8). Read a book about a snowman or a penguin! Act out the parts!
- 9). Head out on a very cold day and blow magically beautiful frozen bubbles!
- 10). Hike a trail at the Great Swamp Outdoor Education Center!

 Be as quiet as a mouse....what do you hear?

 https://www.morrisparks.net/index.php/parks/great-swamp-outdoor-education-center/

TOP TEN SPRING BUCKET LIST

- 1). Whip up a batch of fluffy cloud dough https://www.southernplate.com/how-to-make-cloud-dough/
- 2). Build a cup tower! How high can you stack?
- 3). Trek outdoors and go on a name-writing nature hunt! Spell your name using only natural materials.
- 4). Find and paint rocks with a variety of colors. Can you make a rock rainbow?
- 5). Explore the interactive Nature Detective Trail at the Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge Helen C. Fenske Visitor Center. https://friendsofgreatswamp.org/site/helen-c-fenske-visitor-center/
- 6). Study the clouds. Invent a silly story about what you see!
- 7). Read a book that rhymes then play the Name Game and rhyme with your name!

 https://youtu.be/gLqaKPzqdao
- 8). Search for new flowers just starting to sprout. How many can you find?
- 9). Play "I Spy" at the South Mountain Reservation Fairy Trail! https://www.somocon.org/fairy-trail/
- 10). Visit the Great Swamp Experience at the Environmental Education Center!

Draw/paint/color a picture of your favorite animal! http://www.somersetcountyparks.org/parksFacilities/eec/EEC.html

TOP TEN SUMMER BUCKET LIST

- 1). Get out your old paintbrushes and a bucket of bubbly water and strengthen those little shoulders, arms and wrists by "painting" the fence!
- 2). Practice measuring skills and make ice-cold lemonade!
- 3). Take a family walk! Little ones lead the way!
- 4). Use all your senses as you walk barefoot in the grass. How does the grass smell? How does it feel on your toes?
- 5). Find a butterfly. Create a story about where it's going!
- 6). Watch the sun set. What colors do you see?
- 7). Play sink or float with common household items.
- 8). Sing "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" as you gaze at the stars on a clear night. How many words can you think of that rhyme with "star"?
- 9). Make yummy homemade ice cream with just a ziploc bag & 15 minutes!

https://www.delish.com/cooking/recipe-ideas/recipes/a54721/ice-cream-in-a-bag-recipe/

10). Be on the lookout for beautiful birds and other animal friends as you walk the boardwalk at the Wildlife Observation Center Trails!

https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/new-jersey/wildlife-observation-center-trails