## Activities for the Summer Months

## June

- Take a ride on a bus
- Go swimming and talk about water safety
- Draw and put up your escape route and have a fire drill
- Make up a story and draw pictures to your story
- Let your child help set the dinner table
- Take your child to the park. Relax in the shade and read a story together
- Have your child make a card for someone special
- Add some food coloring to warm soapy water and play in it
- Go on a walk with your child and look for beautiful things
- Play music and dance, have your child freeze when the music stops
- Have a picnic with your child and family
- Make a Paper Bag Puppet
- Take your child to the library to pick out 3 books to read at home

## July

- Go for a walk and listen to the sounds around you
- At bedtime, ask your child what their favorite parts of the day were
- Make a shopping list for your child to "read" at the store
- Make Play dough: 1 c. flour,  $\frac{1}{2}$  c. water, 2T oil, 2Ts cream of tarter, food coloring. Cook on medium heat
- Go for a walk and talk about colors
- Let your child help plan and prepare a meal
- Name things that start with the same letter of your child's name
- Tell your child stories about you when you were a child
- Dance with your child
- Send a card or letter to a friend or relative. Write what your child says and let your child sign it in his/her own way
- Draw pictures with your child
- Read a book and then make a new story using the same story characters
- Make a fruit salad with your child

## August

- Make a list of 5 ways your child has brought joy to your life. Post it and read it to your child
- Go to the beach and make sandcastles or splash in the water together
- Read a story and substitute your child's name for the main character
- Watch clouds with your child. Find shapes of animals, people, toys and all kinds of things in them.
- Have a picnic at your local school playground. Play on the climber, look in the windows
  of the classroom, and talk about what school is like
- Teach your child songs from your own childhood
- On a sunny day play with shadows together
- Make a tent with blankets (indoors or outdoors)
- Show your child how numbers are used around them
- Visit the library with your child. Read books about getting ready for kindergarten
- Tell your child the words of love and encouragement; "You're a great helper, thank you,
   I love you"











