WAYS YOU CAN CELEBRATE

1. Visit your local library with your family. In addition to books, find out about all the programming your library has to offer. You’d be surprised that many offer classes, workshops, movie nights, reading groups, and more for all ages on a vast variety of topics.

2. Join and participate in a book club or start a book club. Make it fun and get creative with your book club meeting by having activities or serve food related to the books your group is reading.

3. Do an author study. Find and read various books all written by the same author. Learn more information about the author. How did they become an author? Where are they from? Do they have a family?

4. Donate books. Consider donating your gently used books to a local charity. Save the environment by also recycling damaged books rather than tossing them in the garbage.

5. Write. Writing is a major part of literacy. Consider writing notes of appreciation, thanks, or love to the special people in your life. Write your own story. Then share it aloud to someone.

6. Have a book talk. Talk about the books that that you are reading to people around you at home or school. Share what was interesting, provocative, or amusing. Your excitement will be contagious and cause your listener to want to read as well.

7. Read, read, and read some more. Read about any and everything that interests you. No matter what it may be, read for the enjoyment of reading.
WHAT CAN WE DO AT HOME?

Family support boosts student’s learning. Try these fun games and activities to reinforce and build your growing reader’s literacy skills from home.

**Act It Out**

Support early reading skills by making word cards together and playing charades. Work with your growing reader to sound out – or decode – simple words, like **dig**, **sad**, **wet**, **hop**, and **gum**. These words start and end with a consonant and have a single vowel in the middle. Then, take turns acting out the words. Encourage players to guess each word and write it!

**Get Moving**

Exercise for mind and body! Write sight words – **light**, **people**, **today**, **through**, and **only** – on the ground with chalk. Have your reader jump to each word and read it aloud. Bonus points for using the word in a sentence!

Next time, try these sight words:

- **full**
- **grow**
- **own**
- **water**
- **light**
- **watch**
- **done**
- **laugh**
- **want**
- **about**
- **eight**
- **try**

**RESOURCES**

**“Level It Books”** - This app helps you find a “good fit” book at your child’s reading level.

*Non-Fiction for Kids—Reading Rockets has some great tips and tricks for integrating more non-fiction and information text into your reading routines.

https://www.readingrockets.org/books/nonfiction-for-kids