

Let this calendar guide you as you Grow Your Reader.

It is important for children to develop pre-reading skills even before they start school. As a parent, you are your child's first teacher. Help your child acquire these skills through the activities you do every day. It's as simple as **talking**, **singing**, **reading**, **writing**, and **playing**.

Talk

Talking with children helps them learn new words and concepts.

Sing

Singing and saying rhymes helps children hear sounds and become familiar with the flow of language.

Read

Reading with children helps them understand how written language works, and develops a love for books.

Write

Writing and drawing helps children learn that pictures, letters, and words stand for real life things; that print has meaning.

Play

Playing freely helps children begin to understand larger concepts on their own.

St. Charles City-County Library is here to help Grow Your Reader!

Visit your library for classes and events that can help Grow Your Reader. Please, call (636) 978-7926 or visit myLibrary.org for more information.

Virtual Early Literacy Classes in October

Unless noted, classes are pre-recorded and can be viewed anytime after date posted, for up to 30 days.

Weekly:

Baby Time: (Birth-11 mos.) — Tuesday, October 12

Tiny Tots: (Birth—23 mos.) — Tuesdays

Fun for Ones (Age 1yr. old) — Wednesdays, October 6 and 20

Time for Twos (Age 2 yrs. old) — Mondays, October 11 and 25

Story Time (Ages 3-6) — Thursdays

Special Classes:

Lessons From Mr. Rogers — Community Helpers: Visiting a Fire Station,
Monday, October 4

Growing Minds: Leaves—Thursday October 7

Growing Minds: Pumpkins—Thursday, October 21

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October



St. Charles City-County
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Reading	2
					Check out a pre-loaded audiobook from the library and let the book read to you!	Check out our Classes & Events Calendar
3 Writing	4 Playing	5 Singing	6 Talking	7 Reading	8 Writing	9 Playing
Help your family make a grocery list; you can write or draw pictures of what you need.	Pretend you are a farmer today. What plants and animals do you take care of?	Try singing "The <i>Seals on the Bus</i> " — what sounds do the animals make on the bus?	Talk about a book you read recently. What was your favorite part?	Read a book about trees, like <i>Tap the Magic Tree</i> by Christie Matheson	Draw a picture of your favorite place.	Act out a scene from a book you read recently.
10 Singing	11 Talking	12 Reading	13 Writing	14 Playing	15 Singing	16
Sing "Old MacDonald Had a Farm." What other animals could the farmer have?	Compare the sizes of things you see today. What is bigger, a car or a cat?	Read books about Indigenous Peoples, like <i>Fry Bread</i> by Kevin Noble Maillard.	Invent a new animal and draw it!	Pretend you are an astronaut! Get your spaceship ready and count down to lift off!	Learn and sing a song in Spanish, like "Mi Cuerpo Hace Musica."	Read towards your 1000 Books Before Kindergarten goal!
17 Talking	18 Reading	19 Writing	20 Playing	21 Singing	22 Talking	23 Reading
Play I Spy together. Talk about what you see by describing shapes and colors.	Read a book from a new author.	Draw a picture of your favorite book character.	Play pretend with a scarf. What can the scarf become?	Use a song like "Itsy Bitsy Spider" to practice singing softly and then loudly.	Talk about the changes you see outside in the fall. What colors do you see?	Read a book about pumpkins, like <i>Stumpkin</i> by Lucy Ruth Cummins
24 Writing	25 Playing	26 Singing	27 Talking	28 Reading	29 Writing	30
Draw what you think the perfect library looks like.	Pretend to be a tailor! What clothes will you make for different people?	Sing "Two Little Blackbirds" and add in your own opposite pairs.	Talk about your plan for the day. Where will you go? What will you do there?	Read a silly spooky book like <i>Creepy Pair of Underwear</i> by Aaron Reynolds .	Think about your favorite food and write or draw how you would make it.	Watch a virtual Story Time at myLibrary.org
31 Playing						
It's the perfect day to dress up! Play pretend with costumes today.						