

Families for Literacy Program Newsletter

May, 2017

Tutors: please go over this newsletter (whatever is appropriate) with your adult student and encourage him/her to visit the Story Times with their children, it's a lot of fun!



At Redbud Library, 14785 Burns Valley Rd. Clearlake, **Thursday, 11:00 am.**

At Middletown Library: 21256 Washington Street, Middletown, **Tuesdays, 11:30 am.**

At Lakeport Library, 1425 N. High St. Lakeport, **Fridays, 10:15 am and 2:30 pm**

(Lakeport: **"Storytime in the Park"**: Story time moves to library park from June 2nd until August 25th)

Summer Reading Program - For Everyone!

We have programs for babies, toddlers, children, teens, and adults. Even if your child is too young to read you can sign up and read with and to them!

Super Sign-up Saturday on May 20th. At that time (or any time thereafter) you can sign up at any branch of the Lake County Library.

For more questions please call the library at 263-7633 or go to:

http://www.co.lake.ca.us/Government/Directory/Lake_County_CALibrary/Events/SRP.htm



Cinco de Mayo: Come Join the Fun....


Cinco de Mayo celebrates the victory of the historical battle of 1862 between Mexico and France. This holiday is a symbol of Mexican pride and unity and includes great festivities. Join the fun - music, dancing, food, activities for children, booths, raffles, giveaways and much more - at the Cinco de Mayo celebration on May 7th, from 10:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. at the Bruno's parking lot in Lakeport!

For more information please contact Ana at Healthy Start, 707-289-4110, or Shushan at Migrant Education at 707-279-4152.



Make your own Maracas:



Find empty drinkable yogurt containers similar to these:  and rinse them thoroughly with water. Clean them in the dishwasher and let them dry completely overnight. They need to be really dry, or the beans might get moldy. Choose the type of bean to put in the container to make the sound: Different beans make different sounds. Use superglue to line the rim of the container and place the cap firmly in place, holding for a few minutes. To secure the lid even more use duct tape to completely wrap around the entire container. You can use different colors of duct tape for a unique, colorful look.

Cinco de Mayo Day

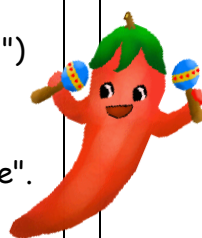
(Tune: "The Farmer and the Dell")

It's Cinco de Mayo Day!

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Let's clap our hands and sing "Ole".

It's Cinco de Mayo today!



TIME TO CELEBRATE

(Tune: "Three Blind Mice")

Cinco de Mayo, Cinco de Mayo.

Don't be late to celebrate!

Time to dance around the square.

Time for flowers in your hair.

Time for lanterns everywhere.

Cinco de Mayo, Cinco de Mayo.

Jean Warren

Same tune ("Are you sleeping") - different songs:



Cinco de Mayo

Cinco de Mayo, Cinco de Mayo.
The fifth of May, the fifth of May.
Is the anniversary
of a great victory
for Mexico, for Mexico.

I Love Mommy

I love Mommy. I love Mommy.
Yes, I do! Yes, I do!
I'll be sure to show her
just how much I love her
every day, every day,



May 14th: Mother's day!

Need a gift for grandma? How about teaching your toddler some mother's day songs and fingerplays?

It is the right price and your grandparent will love it:

Mommy- tune of "Twinkle, Tune: "Twinkle, Little Star"

Mommy, Mommy, let me say,
"I love you in every way.
I love you for all you do.
I love you for being you."
Mommy, Mommy, let me say,
"Have a Happy Mother's Day!"

Helping Mother - fingerplay

I like to help my mother (nod head for "yes")
To me it's just like play: (point to self on "me")
I wash the dishes (pretend to wash dishes)
And sweep the floors (pretend to sweep)
Because it's Mother's day (broad smiles)

Mothers hold
their children's hands
for a short while,
but their hearts
forever.

Time to go outside and play: Giant Bubbles Recipe

Ingredients

- 6 cups water distilled is best, but tap is fine
- 1/2 cup blue Dawn dish detergent liquid, original works best
- 1/2 cup cornstarch
- 1 tbsp baking POWDER
- 1 tbsp glycerin (pharmacy aisle)



Instructions

Dissolve the cornstarch in water, stirring really well. Then stir in remaining ingredients very gently, avoid creating a lot of froth. Let mixture sit for at least an hour before playing with it. Some powder might settle at the bottom.

It is really easy to make your own giant **bubble wand**:

Take two drinking straws, and a length of yarn 6 to 8 times longer than one straw. Thread the yarn through the straws, tie a knot, and you're good to go!



(Credit to Happyhooligans.ca)

For more ideas and interesting information (why are bubbles round?) visit:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JjX4PKBt96k>

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