

Activities for Summer Time or Anytime

Art

- Creation camp at home
- Melting Crayons – take broken crayons and melt them in the oven in muffin tins using paper liners. (These stink!!) Keep the area well ventilated – cool and remove paper before using.
- Puzzles - have the children draw a picture and cut it out in puzzle shapes and have them put it together - or make your own - use coloring book pages -art lessons
- Jelly Jar Crafts - use ripped pieces of tissue paper and white glue - paint brush - use empty jelly jars or any type of glass jars and "paint" triangles or squares on the outside - fill with some sand and a small tea-candle. Fun table decoration. You can do this for holidays - like the Fourth of July using red white and blue

Business/ Entrepreneur

- Selling lemonade -lemonade stand - etc.
- Create a website – learn how to put up a website using a template on Wordpress or learn to html code (or older students).
- Fix or repair and sell
- Write a book for sale
- Host a play and collect food cans for the needy – donate to a soup kitchen

Health/ Healthy Eating

- Safety rules - understanding water safety
- Teach about repellants that are safe - such as *Terrashield* essential oils by Doterra
- Time to learn new things - cooking
- Sun cooking - make s'more's using the sun to melt the chocolate
- Fruit kabobs - have the kids make their own - use this as well for griling meats such as chicken

Math

- Collections - bug collections - butterflies - pressed flowers
- See how high you can count and other number contests – such as skipping rope – how many times can you jump without stopping or messing up.
- Games that help with math such as card games
- How many _____ can you count? How many red trucks, green items, etc.
- Mental math – give each other problems to do in your head without pencil and paper. Do not keep score at first, then keep score to see how has the most correct.

Play/Drama

- Dress up - let the kids use their imaginations
- Create your own play and act it out – use backdrops drawn (art)
- Characterization – imitate your favorite story book character and take turns guessing who this is.
- Practice public speaking. Do impromptu speeches using real life situations.
- Practice the correct responses. For example, you get the wrong food at a restaurant, what do you say.
- Answering the phone – what is the correct and incorrect way to answer a phone.
- Create a short commercial – either a 30 second or 60 second commercial.
Record this on a digital device and play it back. How did you do?
- Create a podcast. What would your topic be? What would you say?

Geography

- Scavenger hunts - geocaching
- Create a map using your memory – start small – try to map out the backyard, the neighborhood, the way to church, grocery store, etc.
- See if you can draw a US or World Map!

- Buried treasure – hide a “treasure” typically something small and give someone verbal instructions on how to find it, using north, south, east and west – right and left, etc.

Reading

- Select Fun Reading Books – List Here – Give awards or sign up for Pizza Hut or Library Rewards Program – or “Reading with the Rays” or other baseball reading incentive baseball programs.
- At home contests – how many books can you read in a week, a month, etc.
- Create a reading place – somewhere to go when you read a favorite book.
- Set up a reading library, begin collecting books.

Science

- Amusement parks and physics -
- Bugs - summer is a time for many types of bugs
- Collections - bug collections - butterflies - pressed flowers
- Create a solar oven
- Create a Volcano
- Rainbows - prisms or water hose

Additional Ideas: