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Calvert County Public Schools Suggested Summer Learning Activities for Families

AUGUST – Grades K & 1

HAPPY SUMMER, CCPS FAMILIES! Summertime is the perfect time to explore the world around us. After all, school is not the only place where we can learn. Look around, learning opportunities are everywhere! To spark a few ideas, we've included 40 activities across a wide range of subjects. Perhaps you'll enjoy a book under a shade tree, look up the strange bug in your garden, look for math patterns in a favorite song, or organize a fun water obstacle course. Choose a few activities each week that seem interesting and fun! Perhaps keep a journal or notebook to keep track of your activities. Visit calvertnet.k12.md.us/SummerLearning each month for a new menu of activities.

 Smoothies With a grown up make a yummy mixture.	 GATE: Make a terrarium in a glass jar to care for a tiny ecosystem.	What do you see? Have a friend or family member read a book to you. Draw a picture of what you see as they read.	 Making Butter Grab a clean jar (could be one you recycled) and some heavy cream. Now all you need is elbow grease.	 YOGA FREEZE DANCE Dance along to the music. When it stops, look at the screen and hold the yoga pose for 10 seconds!
 Create something new using materials that you would have thrown away or recycled.	Send a message Read a story to a friend or family member that lives far away. Use the phone, video chat or record yourself and send an email.	BALL SKILLS Red Light Green Light With a ball, play red light green light with friends to practice hand, foot, or stick skills to improve coordination. 	 Create your own spinning toy: Use a penny and a cardboard cereal box to make your own toy.	 Go on a Bear Hunt! A yoga adventure inspired by the book. Twist, bend, and stretch your way through the story.
Grateful Heart Draw a big heart and fill it with pictures of people and things you are grateful for!	Log into Pebble Go using your Clever account. What do you want to learn more about?	Check out Tumblebooks at Calvert Library.	Be a Star! Make up a song about a person or event in history.	 Can you put a paper towel into water without getting it wet?
Check out a book using Sora or Capstone Interactive	With some help from an adult, log your books for Calvert Library's summer reading.	Time on a Line: Make a timeline showing the important events in your life.	Read with a family member, a friend, or a pet.	Use Capstone or Sora to check out a new book with the help of an adult.

<p>Daily Reading Time Read or listen to a book every day! After reading retell the story OR name the important facts after reading. an informational book.</p>	<p>TALL, TALLER, TALLEST Find three objects. Place the objects in order from shortest to tallest. CHALLENGE: Get two objects of different heights. Try to find a third object that would be the middle height.</p>	<p>Fizzing Lemonade Take a lemon, sugar, water and make lemonade. Add a teaspoon of baking soda, and record observations.</p>	 <p>Create a constellation show. Create constellations that will fit on a flashlight and share them after dark on a wall.</p>	<p>MUSICAL HIDE & SEEK Two people are needed for this game. One person hides with something that makes sound (drum, toy, another instrument). The "seeker" uses their ears to find the person who is hiding.</p>
 <p>MATH LEARNING GAMES – Is your child already using the computer to play games this summer. Why not play some math games on our i-Ready Learning Games site? Available thru 8/8</p>	<p>MY TOWN: Use Legos, building blocks, or other materials to create your own town. Include the important places in a community like a school, stores, fire stations and a hospital.</p>	<p>WHICH IS MORE? Make two piles of Cheetos or pennies or pebbles, etc. Guess which pile has more. Count both piles to see if you guessed correctly.</p>	 <p>DANCE OFF! Choose between two different dances and get your groove on for 30 seconds. Keep moving through the last round!</p>	<p>Tiny Art Show Use 4 note cards or cut a piece of paper in 4 sections. Draw a different item on each card. 1-Your favorite place 2-Your favorite food 3-You or your favorite person 4-Your favorite animal Display your Tiny Art Show!</p>
 <p>THOUGHT BUBBLES Blow your thoughts away to practice mindfulness and bring awareness to your thoughts to calm your mind.</p>	 <p><u>Flight of the Bumble Bee</u> Find a recording of "Flight of the Bumble Bee" on YouTube. While you are listening to the music, draw a picture of a bumble bee flying from flower to flower. Use the link to learn how to create a bumble bee craft.</p>	 <p>History Hike: Take a trusted adult on a hike on one of Jefferson Patterson Park's trails and learn a little history along the way. Scan the QR code to find out about the trails.</p>	<p>Guess My Number Spray a window with shaving cream (non-menthol). Ask an adult to think of a number that is less than 100. The adult gives one clue. Write your guess in the shaving cream. If correct, you win. If not correct, wipe the number clean and ask the adult for another clue. Play until you guess their number.</p>	<p>BEARS in the CAVE Get 10 (or 20 objects) and a beach towel or bowl. Have an adult hide SOME of the objects under the towel. Use your math skills to calculate how many are under the towel.</p>
<p>Obstacle Course On a rainy day, create a safe obstacle course for you and friends or family to complete.</p>	<p>Build a reading fort and read with your family, pets, or stuffed animals.</p>	<p>Do something nice – put away someone's cart at the grocery store. Donate cat food to a shelter. Take fresh produce to a food pantry.</p>	<p>Family Folklore: Ask an older family member to share a family story or tradition.</p>	<p><u>Food House</u> Draw a house made completely out of food.</p>