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Audiobook Awareness Month: Check out Penguin Random House [audiobooks for kids](#), including the 2024 ALA winners.



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Children's Activity Calendar

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SUNDAY

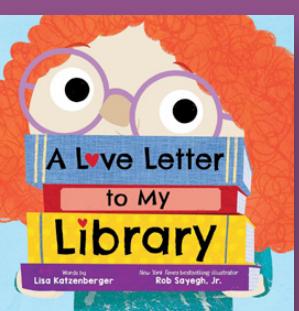
MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



"So many things are possible just as long as you don't know they're impossible."

— Norton Juster, *The Phantom Tollbooth*

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Zoo and Aquarium

Month: Introduce kids to the wonders of wildlife by inviting a zookeeper or aquarist to speak about their role.

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Check [Bookreporter.com](#) for book festivals in your area this month.

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Happy Book Birthday to *A Love Letter to My Library* by Lisa Katzenberger, illustrated by Rob Sayegh Jr.

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Hot Air Balloon Day: Watch a [hot air balloon preparation and launch](#) and then read *Up and Away! How Two Brothers Invented the Hot Air Balloon* by Jason Henry.

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Eyewear Day: From goggles to silly sunglasses to springy googly eyes. Pair this day with reading aloud *Mr. Posey's New Glasses* by Ted Kooser, illustrated by Daniel Duncan.

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Doughnut Day: Doughnuts! Doughnut stickers, doughnut books, doughnut crafts, doughnut holes. Have a 'hole' lot of fun today.

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Best Friend Day: Read Vicky Fang's newest release *Ava Lin, Best Friend!*

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Puerto Rican Day Parade: This NYC celebration

honors the culture of Puerto Rico and the over 4 million people with Puerto Rican heritage in the U.S.

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Little League Week (June 10–16): Have kids put on their favorite baseball cap and read *The Little League Team From the Black Lagoon* by Mike Thaler. Try [amazing baseball crafts](#) from The Simple Parent.

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Happy Book Birthday to *Fire Escape: How Animals and Plants Survive Wildfires* by Jessica Stremer, illustrated by Michael Garland.

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Set up an indoor tent, build a paper campfire, make some smores, and read *S is for S'mores: A Camping Alphabet* by Helen Foster James, illustrated by Lita Judge.

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Great Outdoors Month: From camping and hiking to climbing and rafting, create a book display to highlight all the fun ways to enjoy the outdoors.

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Flag Day: Watch Honor Guard members demonstrate [how to properly fold the American Flag](#). Don't have a real flag to practice on? Make one out of long strips of bulletin board paper.

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Tomorrow is Jennifer Holm's birthday: Watch a [virtual visit with the author](#) and learn what inspires her writing.

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Father's Day: Read *The Better Tree Fort* by Jessica Scott Kerin, illustrated by Qin Leng.

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World Croc Day: Share Lisa Katzenberger's new chapter book series released earlier this month, *Croc & Gator: Swamp Ranger School*.

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Happy Book Birthday to *Help Wanted: One Rooster* by Julie Falatko, illustrated by Andrea Stegmaier. A frustrated farmer is searching for the perfect rooster in this rollicking picture book.

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Juneteenth: Celebrate Emancipation Day, honoring African American emancipation, by sharing Floyd Cooper's *Juneteenth for Mazie* using the Novel Effect app.

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First day of summer: Celebrate warmer days with *And Then Comes Summer* by Tom Brenner, illustrated by Jaime Kim.

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Make Music Day: Read *One Sweet Song* by Jyoti Rajan Gopal. Then try one of the [DIY Musical Instruments](#) by The Dad Lab.

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Great American Campout: Whether deep in the woods, at a campground, or in the backyard, share [picture books about camping](#) or the chapter book *Summer According to Humphrey* by Betty Birney.



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Pink Day: Enjoy pink snacks, wear pink, and read [pink-themed books](#) curated by Bookroo.

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Sunglasses Day is June 27. Help kids get ready to rock their favorite pair by setting out craft supplies they can use to add some 'bling' to their sunglasses.

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Eric Carle's Birthday: Commemorate the work of this children's literature legend with [15 Crafts and Activities Inspired by Eric Carle Books](#) by Kids Activities Blog.

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Dairy Month: Invite a local dairy princess or dairy farmer as guest readers. Get started with the marvelous story *Chuck's Ice Cream Wish* by Viola Butler, illustrated by Ward Jenkins.

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Handshake Day: Try one of these [Koo Koo Secret Handshakes](#) or invent a handshake of your own.

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Candy Month: Make a display of themed books and share an easy [Homemade Koolaid Lollipop Recipe](#) from Top School Resources. It uses just a hotplate and a few ingredients.

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Camera Day: Use iPads or other devices to send kids on a photo-taking scavenger hunt to see how many things they can find that begin with each letter of the alphabet.

