



Resource Summary June 13 – June 21, 2021

Did you miss our posts on social media this week? Don't worry, here is a summary of all the parent and caregiver resources our EarlyON Educators would like to share with you!

Looking for ideas to encourage your older child to read this summer? How about some suggested books by amazing authors? Check out this summer reading challenge that offers activities and age specific book recommendations <https://www.chapters.indigo.ca/en-ca/inspired/camp-indigokids/reading-challenge-for-kids/>

Father's Day is June 20th. This year, give Dad a gift you know he'll never want to return: time to play. Check out this printable coupon book to make this DIY Father's Day present or create your own based on your child's age and family interests. <https://activeforlife.com/printable-fathers-day-coupon-book/>

Parents often feel they need to choreograph or plan their children's activities for them. But as children grow, their ability to engage in independent play increases. Parents and caregivers can allow their children to take the lead and make some age-appropriate choices for themselves. For tips on how to encourage and support fun, independent play safely, visit: <https://activeforlife.com/summer-kids-independent-play/>

If you care for an infant or toddler – this article is for you! Check out this fun collection of activities that you can enjoy with your child to help develop fine motor skills, hand dexterity and co-ordination through play. Supervision is required. <https://happyhooligans.ca/fine-motor-activities/>

Your child may not be in school yet, but these crafts improve growth and development, teach important skills, and help them reach milestones. <https://www.parents.com/fun/arts-crafts/8-low-lift-crafts-for-2-year-olds-to-do-at-home/>

Dad or Grandpa would love to celebrate Father's Day by cuddling up with some great books with your child. For a list of dad-inspired literature, check out: <https://www.todayparent.com/family/books/cute-books-about-dads/>

With Father's Day just around the corner, this I Love You to Pieces card is perfect to make with the kids! You only need paper and a few other supplies to make this simple card. <https://www.thebestideasforkids.com/i-love-you-to-pieces-craft/done>



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Looking for a little inspiration for how to spend family time in a fun and active way that everyone will enjoy? Imagination, creativity, and a sense of adventure are all you really need to make a parent-child connection and have a blast together. Here's a list of ideas to get you started.

<https://activeforlife.com/10-ways-active-day-with-dad/done>

This DIY kaleidoscope uses every component of STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) to create a cool, homemade science toy. <https://littlebinsforlittlehands.com/how-to-make-a-simple-kaleidoscope-for-kids/>

Tomorrow is National Indigenous Peoples Day, a day to celebrate the heritage, diverse cultures and outstanding achievements of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples.

Canada is home to more than 1.6 million Indigenous people, including 600 First Nations communities, as well as Inuit and Métis communities. These distinct nations and groups have diverse histories, traditions, and cultures—as well as games and activities.

<https://activeforlife.com/five-indigenous-games-to-play-with-your-children/>

EarlyON Videos:

Crayon Art - <https://youtu.be/lboTaNbWCN8>

Carrie, an EarlyON Program Facilitator demonstrates a creative art experience using old crayons, paper and a blow dryer. With adult assistance and a bit of patience, young children can create a one-of-a-kind masterpiece at home.

Dino-mite Shadow Drawing

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a_3hxVcrDRs&ab_channel=YMCAofNiagara%26Oakville

Kristin, an EarlyON Program Facilitator demonstrates how your child can create beautiful artwork using favourite toys or household items outside in the sun.

Robin Eggs - https://youtu.be/1_ww9klDsso

Caroline, an EarlyON Program Facilitator documents the arrival and growth of baby birds who hatched in her backyard.

Songs with Sign Language #3 - <https://youtu.be/0NeU4Z6zKyU>

Karen, an EarlyON Program Facilitator is back again to sing another traditional early childhood song with sign language. Don't forget your favourite teddy bear!