

*This Month's*

**Early Literacy Specialist Visits at EarlyON sites:**

**Barrie—Coulter Glen**  
49 Coulter St.  
Wednesday May 3, 2023  
[9:30am Stay, Play & Learn](#)

**Orillia**  
80 Colborne St.  
Wednesday May 3, 2023  
[1:30pm Wonderplay](#)

**Washago**  
4361 Hamilton St.  
Tuesday May 9, 2023  
[9:30 Stay, Play & Learn](#)  
[1:30 Messy Babies](#)

**Elmvale—Springwater Library**  
50 Queen St.  
Friday May 12, 2023  
[9:30am Stay, Play & Learn](#)

**Penetanguishene**  
Monday May 15, 2023  
95 Robert St.  
[9:30am Stay, Play & Learn](#)

**Victoria Harbour**  
144 Albert St.  
Tuesday May 16, 2023  
[9:30am Stay, Play & Learn](#)

**Alcona—Innisfil Library**  
7883 Yonge St.  
Thursday May 18, 2023  
[9:30am Stay, Play & Learn](#)

**Barrie**  
129 Ferris Lane  
Tuesday May 23, 2023  
[9:30am Stay, Play & Learn](#)  
[1:30pm Stay, Play & Learn](#)

**Tottenham**  
139 Queen St. N.  
Wednesday May 24, 2023  
[9:30am Stay, Play & Learn](#)

**Coldwater**  
11 Michael Anne Dr.  
Thursday May 25, 2023  
[9:30am Stay, Play & Learn](#)

**Beeton**  
72 Second St. S.  
Monday May 29, 2023  
[9:30am Stay, Play & Learn](#)

**Collingwood—satellite**  
475 Second St.  
Tuesday May 30, 2023  
[9:30am Stay, Play & Learn](#)

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> <b>MAY IS Speech and Hearing Month!</b>	<b>2</b> Emphasize GESTURES when singing songs (Roly Poly, Happy & You Know It, Wheels on the Bus). This will help me practice the milestone of 16 gestures by 16 months!	<b>3</b> Did you know that even just reading one book per day exposes your child to about 78,000 NEW words per year?	<b>4</b> Follow along through social media with our partners at RVH, Children's Development Services 	<b>5</b> Sing a counting song today (Five Little Ducks/ Monkeys, The Ants go Marching, Hickory Dickory Dock...).	<b>6</b> Visit some place interesting today! Learn something new and talk about interesting & rare words.
	<b>7</b> Let's make and play with goop today. Mix cornstarch with water! 	<b>8</b> The best questions we ask our children, are the ones we don't know the answers to! Ask me something that you don't know the answer to. Then, let's investigate and learn TOGETHER!	<b>9</b> Let's play people games today like hide and seek and ring around the rosey! 	<b>10</b> Make today a no screen day. What else can we do? Dance? Play a game? Read lots of great books? Art? Go outside?	<b>11</b> Let's make a grocery list by LETTING ME cut out store flyers. Print the letter of the FIRST SOUND of the items. I can start using scissors at age 2!	<b>12</b> Let's look at our local library and find out about their programs.	<b>13</b> Family Game Night! 
	<b>14</b> Lets pack a picnic and go on an adventure! 	<b>15</b> Help me talk about what we did on the weekend. What did we see? What did we eat? Help me use my mind's eye to imagine what happened! This helps me read books without pictures later on!	<b>16</b> Start bedtime a half hour earlier tonight to slow down & have more fun with bedtime reading.	<b>17</b> Make up a scavenger hunt for me! "Look in the fridge... Look under the bed...", etc. At the end, let me find a fun snack! 	<b>18</b> To help your child combine 2+ words, when they say one word such as, "apple", try adding a word onto it, such as, "juicy apple, cold apple, yummy apple"	<b>19</b> Lets go to the Library!	<b>20</b> Lets fill a bin with water and take some of my toys outside to play!
	<b>21</b> Help somebody today! I will learn how to be helpful by watching how <b>you</b> are helpful with others.	<b>22</b> Stop and take some time to pay attention to what really interests me. Follow my lead and play like I do. Copy me when I try to show you something. Then <b>wait.</b>	<b>23</b> Play: "I hear with my little ear, something that rhymes with... "cat" (hat, bat, rat, etc...) 	<b>24</b> Share old family photos with me! Tell me a special story about the people in the photos.	<b>25</b> Let's plant a garden together. We can grow vegetables to try. I like to try the food I grow! 	<b>26</b> Let's visit an EarlyON Child & Family program today! 	<b>27</b> Strive for 15 minutes of reading per day!
	<b>28</b> Let's find a forest or trail that's new to us. Describe to me what we see or ask me what I see!	<b>29</b> Save boxes, paper towel rolls, and plastic containers/bottles to build with.	<b>30</b> Let's act out our favourite nursery rhyme together!	<b>31</b> Let's make compost for our garden. We can learn about sorting recycling, garbage and compost.			



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