

2015 - 2016



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# MY FIRST BOOKS SITES

2015-2016



## Community Library Network

Spirit Lake  
Athol  
Post Falls

East Bonner Co. Library District,  
Sandpoint

Kellogg Public Library

Clearwater County District Library,  
Weippe

Cambridge Community Library

Lemhi County District Library,  
Leadore Branch

Arnoral Tuttle Public Library,  
New Plymouth

Fremont County District Library,  
St. Anthony Branch

Garden City Public Library  
Meridian Library District,  
Main Branch

Boise Public Library,  
Main & Collister Branch

Jefferson County District Library,  
Menan-Annis

Kuna Public Library

Portneuf District Library,  
Chubbuck

Blackfoot Public Library

Marshall Public Library, Pocatello

Richfield District Library

American Falls Public Library

Shoshone Public Library

Jerome Public Library

Wendell public Library

Twin Falls Public Library

DeMary Memorial Library,  
Rupert

South Bannock Library District,  
McCammon

South Bannock Library District,  
Downey

## Number of Participants

2007 - 2008	8
2008 - 2009	25
2009 - 2010	22
2010 - 2011	32
2011 - 2012	32
2012 - 2013	36
2013 - 2014	41
2014 - 2015	29
2015 - 2016	27

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### My First Books Resources

libraries.idaho.gov/resources-my-first-books-participants

# August 2015

## Helpful Links

### Author pronunciations:

[www.teachingbooks.net](http://www.teachingbooks.net)

### Book jackets:

[www.librarything.com](http://www.librarything.com)

### Data and statistics:

[www.idahokidscount.org](http://www.idahokidscount.org)

### Early literacy resources:

#### Read to Me:

[libraries.idaho.gov/page/read-to-me-resources](http://libraries.idaho.gov/page/read-to-me-resources)

#### DayByDayID.org

#### Saroj Ghoting

[www.earlylit.net](http://www.earlylit.net)

#### Jean Warren:

[www.preschoolexpress.com](http://www.preschoolexpress.com)

### Songs, rhymes, fingerplays videos:

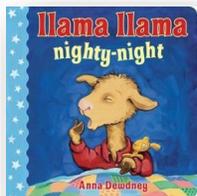
[www.youtube.com/Birth2Six](http://www.youtube.com/Birth2Six)

[www.storyblocks.org](http://www.storyblocks.org)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
<p><b>Helpful Hints:</b>            Meet with your partner organization to discuss distribution dates and times. Bring this calendar and the My First Books (MFB) Distribution Planning Sheet. Be sure to address how you and your partner organization will inform the parents about their participation in My First Books this year. Double-check enrollment numbers for each age group and send updated Partner Totals Form to Staci.</p>						
2	3	4	5	6	7 MFB Orientation (Online) 1:00- 2:00 MST	8
			Pacific Northwest Library Association (PNLA) Conference, Vancouver			
9	10	11 MFB Orientation (Online) 10:00- 12:00 MST	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
				Estimated arrival of September books		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

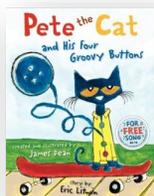
# September 2015

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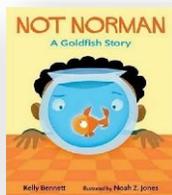
Llama Llama Nighty-Night,  
by Anna Dewdney

## Preschool



Pete the Cat and His Four  
Groovy Buttons,  
by Eric Litwin

## Kindergarten



Not Norman: A Goldfish Story,  
by Kelly Bennett

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5 National Book Festival (Washington, DC)
6	7 Labor Day ICfL Closed	8 International Literacy Day	9	10 Partners and Enrollment Form Due to Staci	11 Idaho Association of the Education of the Young Child (IAEYC) Conference, Boise	12
13 Grandparent's Day	14	15 Summer Reading Program Report due	16	17	18	19
20	21 International Day of Peace	22 Estimated arrival of October books	23	24	25 Native American Day	26
27	28	29	<b>Helpful Hints:</b> Be sure to utilize the resources provided for Spanish-speaking families: Intro letter in Spanish; Bookworms in Spanish; Spanish translation of books.		Library Card Sign Up Month Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15-Oct. 15) Banned Books Week: Sept. 27-Oct 3 Look for Idaho Family Reading Week 2015 postcard in the mail	

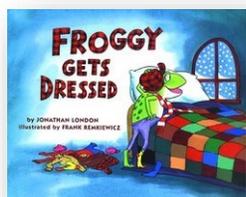
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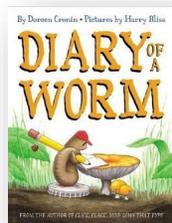
*In My Neighborhood (bilingual)*, by Anna Bardaus

## Preschool



*Froggy Gets Dressed*, by Jonathan London

## Kindergarten



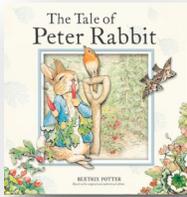
*Diary of a Worm*, by Doreen Cronin

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>Jumpstart Read for the Record:</b> How many kids can you involve in the reading of <i>Not Norman: A Goldfish Story</i> , by Kelly Bennett? ( <a href="http://www.readfortherecord.org">www.readfortherecord.org</a> ) <b>Teen Read Week:</b> October 18-24th <b>National Friends of the Library Week:</b> October 18-24 Look for <b>summer reading manuals</b> in the mail.				1	2	3
<b>Helpful Hints:</b> Meet with your partner regarding <b>Family Reading Week</b> (Nov. 15-22)				Idaho Library Association (ILA) Conference: Boise		
	5 <i>International School Library Day</i>	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 <i>Columbus Day</i> <i>ICfL closed</i>	13	14	15	16	17 <i>International Eradication of Poverty Day</i>
18	19	20	21	22 <i>Jumpstart Read for the Record</i>	23	24
	Estimated arrival of November Books					
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 <i>Halloween</i>

*Family Reading Week:  
Classics*

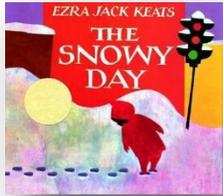
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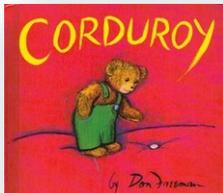
*The Tale of Peter Rabbit,*  
by Beatrix Potter

## Preschool



*The Snowy Day,*  
by Ezra Jack Keats

## Kindergarten

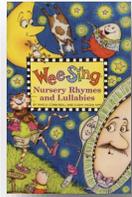


*Corduroy,*  
by Don Freeman

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <i>Daylight Savings Time Ends</i>	2	3 <i>Election Day</i>	4	5	6	7
				<b>Read to Me Rendezvous, Boise</b>		
8	9	10	11 <i>Veteran's Day ICfL Closed</i>	12	13	14
15	16	17	18  <i>Estimated arrival of December books</i>	19	20 <i>Idaho Reads! Summit, Boise</i>	21 <i>International Games Day</i>
<b>Family Reading Week: "Curl Up with a Classic"</b>						
22	23	24	25	26 <i>Thanksgiving ICfL Closed</i>	27	28
29	30	<b>Helpful Hints:</b> <i>Promote your FRW Event(s): Fliers, Bookworm, stickers on children, emails to parents, posters/signs on doors of classroom/center—send something home each week! Ask your partner to help you promote it in newsletters, personal phone calls, robo calls, etc.</i>				<b>Native American Heritage Month</b>  <b>Picture Book Month</b>

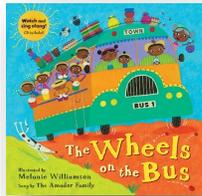
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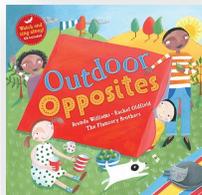
Wee Sing: Nursery Rhymes and Lullabies, by Pamela Conn Beal and Susan Nipp

**Preschool**



The Wheels on the Bus, Illustrated by Melanie Williamson

**Kindergarten**

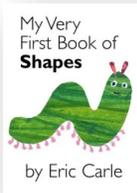


Outdoor Opposites, by Brenda Williams

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>Cultural Celebrations:</b> Chanukah, Dec. 6-14 (Jewish) Las Posadas, Dec. 16-24 (Hispanic) Kwanzaa, Dec. 26-Jan 1 (African-American)		1	2	3	4	5
6 Chanukah Begins	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
<i>Estimated arrival of January books</i>						
20	21	22	23	24	25 Christmas Day ICfL Closed	26
27	28	29	30	31	<b>Helpful Hints:</b> This month will be filled with special assemblies, concerts, parties, etc. Check in with your partner regarding distribution dates.	

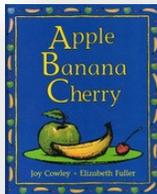
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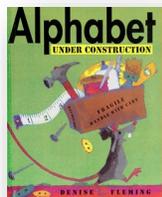
My Very First Book of Shapes, by Eric Carle

## Preschool



Apple, Banana, Cherry, by Joy Cowley

## Kindergarten

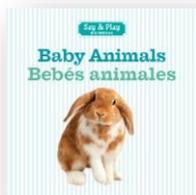


Alphabet Under Construction, by Denise Fleming

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<p><b>Helpful Hints:</b> If you haven't held your parent workshop/family event, plan now. Idaho librarians have had better luck getting parents to show up at fall and winter events versus those held in late spring (April/May) when sports and school events tend to compete for their time. Consider how you will market your library card applications.</p>		<p>1 New Year's Day ICfL Closed</p>	<p>2</p>
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	<p>11 ALA Youth Media Awards (follow on Twitter @ILoveLibraries)</p>	12	13	14	<p>ALA Midwinter Conference, Jan. 8-12 (Boston)</p>	
<p>ALA Midwinter Conference, Jan. 8-12 (Boston)</p>		17	18	19	20	21
22	<p>23 MLK, Jr. Day/ Human Rights Day ICfL Closed</p>	24	<p>Estimated arrival of February books</p>		27	28
29	30	31	<p>Library Directors' Meeting, Boise</p>			

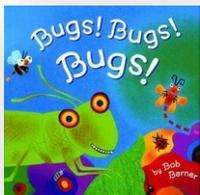
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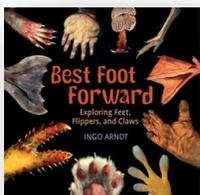
*Baby Animals (bilingual),*  
by Sterling Publishing Co.

## Preschool



*Bugs! Bugs! Bugs!*  
by Bob Barner

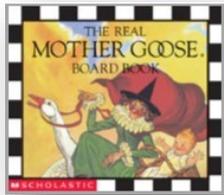
## Kindergarten



*Best Foot Forward: Exploring Feet, Flippers, and Claws,*  
by Ingo Arndt

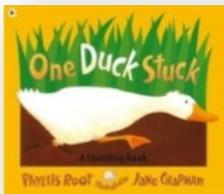
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <b>Deadline to apply for School Partnerships (Bright Futures)</b>	2 Groundhog Day	3	4	5	6
7	8 Chinese New Year: Year of the Monkey	9 Mardi Gras	10	11	12	13
14 Valentine's Day	15 President's Day ICfL Closed <b>Deadline to apply for Idaho Child Care Reads</b>	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28				<i>Estimated arrival of March books</i>		
<p><b>Helpful Hints:</b> Ask your partner about special activities they have planned for Black History/American History/Friendship Month. Choose age-appropriate books to feature in a library display.</p>				<p>African American History Month International Friendship Month Children's Authors and Illustrators Week: First week of Feb. (<a href="http://www.childrensauthorsnetwork.com">www.childrensauthorsnetwork.com</a>)</p>		

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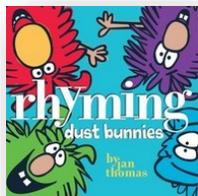
The Real Mother Goose,  
illustrated by Blanche Fisher  
Wright

## Preschool



One Duck Stuck,  
by Phyllis Root

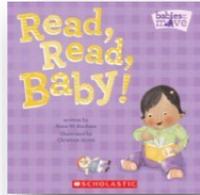
## Kindergarten



Rhyming Dust Bunnies,  
by Jan Thomas

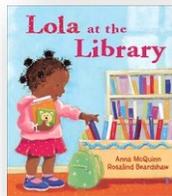
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Women's History Month Teen Tech Week: March 6-12 Register your Dia event with RTM	<b>Reminder: MFB applications for next year are due April 22rd.</b>	1	2 Dr. Seuss's Birthday/NEA Read Across America Day (www.nea.org)	3	4 Idaho Day	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19
		Estimated arrival of April books				
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Easter	28	29	30	31 <b>Deadline to apply for School Visits and Reaching Underserved Children (Bright Futures)</b>	<b>Helpful Hints:</b> Check with your school district and partner for Spring Break dates. Meet with your partner regarding Dia. What are ways in which you could collaborate?	

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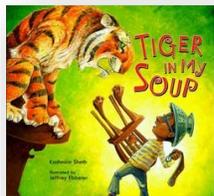
*Read, Read, Baby!*  
by Anna Bardaus

## Preschool



*Lola at the Library,*  
by Anna McQuinn

## Kindergarten



*Tiger in My Soup,*  
by Kashmira Sheth

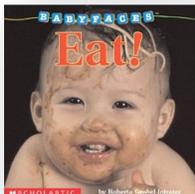
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		<p><i>Helpful Hints:</i> Meet with your partner to plan how parent surveys will be distributed and collected. If you are applying for MFB again, be sure to include <b>data</b> in your Needs Statement. Ex: % of kids who qualify for free/reduced lunch, etc.</p>			1	2
		<p>National Poetry Month School Library Month National Library Week: Apr 10-16 NAEYC Week of the Young Child: April 10-16 (www.naeyc.org) D.E.A.R./Beverly Cleary's BD, April 12</p>			<p>International Children's Book Day www.ibby.org</p>	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		<p>National Library Worker's Day Drop Everything and Read Day</p>				
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	<p>Estimated arrival of May books</p>				<p>Earth Day <b>My First Books Applications for 2016/2017 due 5:00 pm MST</b></p>	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
						<p>El día de los niños/ El día de los libros</p>

**\*Applications must physically be at the ICFL by 5:00 pm, so mail early.**

Summer Reading  
(Fitness/Health theme)

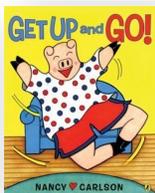
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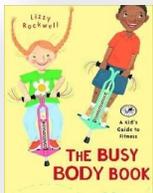
*Eat!* (Baby Faces series)  
by Roberta Grobel Intrater

## Preschool



*Get Up and Go,*  
by Nancy Carlson

## Kindergarten



*The Busy Body Book: A Kid's  
Guide to Fitness,*  
by Lizzy Rockwell

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5 Cinco de Mayo	6	7 Free Comic Book Day (www.freecomicbookday.com)
	8 Mother's Day	9	10	11	12	13	14
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	29	30 Memorial Day ICfL Closed	31 <b>My First Books Final Report and Parent Surveys due June 1</b>	<b>Helpful Hints:</b> Meet with your partner to debrief. Begin promoting summer reading to your partners and MFB parents. Is there a way to collaborate with child care partner organizations for summer reading (deposit collections, weekly visits, reading logs, etc.)?			Asian/Pacific Heritage Month Teacher Appreciat. Week: May 2-6 Children's Book Week: May 2-8 www.bookweekonline.com