Dear Caregivers:

Today we used some of these books, fingerplays, and other materials in our storytime. Please continue helping your child develop by sharing these at home!

**BOOKS TO SHARE**

- *Goodnight Moon* by Margaret Wise Brown
- *A Big Mooncake For Little Star* by Grace Lin
- *The Boy and the Blue Moon* by Sara O'Leary
- *Kitten's First Full Moon* by Kevin Henkes
- *Papa, Please Get the Moon For Me* by Eric Carle
- *A Kite For Moon* by Jane Yolen
- *The Moon's First Friends* by Susanna L. Hill
- *Counting on Katherine* by Helaine Becker
- *City Moon* by Rachael Cole
- *Whose Moon is That?* by Kim Krans
- *Moon Babies* by Karen Jameson

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**LETTER OF THE DAY**

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**ASL SIGN OF THE DAY**

"Moon"

**FUN WITH FINGERPLAYS AND SONGS**

- *Zoom, Zoom, Zoom*
  
  Zoom zoom zoom, we’re going to the moon.  
  Zoom zoom zoom, we’re going to the moon.  
  If you want to take a trip, climb aboard my rocketship!  
  Zoom zoom zoom, we’re going to the moon.  
  Zoom zoom zoom, we’re going to the moon.

- *Solar System In Motion*  
  
  [Tune: The Farmer in the Dell]
  
  The Earth turns around, the Earth turns around,  
  Once a day, every day, the Earth turns around.
  
  The moon goes round the Earth, the moon goes round the Earth,  
  Once a month, every month, the moon goes round the Earth.
  
  The Earth goes round the Sun, the Earth goes round the Sun,  
  Once a year, every year, the Earth goes round the Sun.
  
  The stars are all around, the stars are all around,  
  Here to there, and everywhere, the stars are all around.
Astronaut, astronaut [action rhyme]
Astronaut, astronaut, turn around.
Astronaut, astronaut, touch the ground.
Astronaut, astronaut, jump up high.
Astronaut, astronaut, touch the sky.
Astronaut, astronaut, tie your shoe.
Astronaut, astronaut, that will do!

Hey Diddle Diddle [nursery rhyme]
Hey diddle diddle,
The cat and the fiddle,
The cow jumped over the moon.
The little dog laughed to see such sport,
And the dish ran away with the spoon.

At Night [action rhyme]
At night I see the twinkling stars [wiggle fingers]
And the great big shining moon [arms overhead in circle]
My grown-up tucks me into bed [pretend to pull up a blanket]
And sings this goodnight tune
[Sing "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star"]

Four Little Stars [fingerplay]
Four little stars winking at me.
One shot off and then there were three!
Three little stars with nothing to do.
One shot off, and then there were two!
Two little stars afraid of the sun.
One shot off, and then there was one!
One little star alone is no fun.
it shot off, and then there was none!

July 20th, 2019 marks the 50th anniversary of the first humans to land on the moon! Search YouTube to find real archival footage to watch and discuss together.

Note: It can be tempting, when making a craft or working on an art project to do the craft yourself instead of allowing your child to try, struggle, (and sometimes fail) to make the craft 'correctly.'

However, it is the PROCESS, not the PRODUCT that is most important part of making something with a child. Have fun and don't worry about perfection!

Aluminum Moon

Supplies:
Black construction paper
Aluminum foil
Scissors
Glue
Star stickers (optional)

Cut your foil into a large circle. Crinkle it up into a ball to add texture.

Open the foil ball and gently flatten.

Glue foil onto a black sheet of paper.

[Optional: add star stickers or draw your own stars around the moon]

[Note: The foil texture is representative of the craters found on the moon and the shiny quality of foil mimics how light from the sun reflects off the moon!]

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