



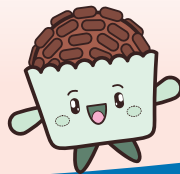
Get Ready to Read

with Medina County District Library

Easy Baking

The month of December and baking go together! Baking with kids helps them learn to follow directions, to develop math, reading, and science skills, and most of all to make good family memories. Hints for baking success with a preschooler:

- **Start out with short, simple recipes.** Two to three step instructions are perfect. Here are some easy ideas: chocolate dipped fruit, rice crispy squares, and sugar cookies. Try the internet for plenty of other 3-step and 3-ingredient recipes.
- **Explore with your senses.** Smell the coconut, look at the parts of an egg, taste the sugar, listen to the crinkle of the chocolate chip bag, and touch the soft flour.
- **It's the process not the outcome that matters most.** Sometimes it can be hard but try to let your child do things for themselves. It's all about the experience, the exploration, and having fun together. In the end, it doesn't really matter how the baked goods look or taste, but rather about making positive memories!



Lodi Library's Winter Wonderland

Sat., Dec. 7, 4:00 - 7:00 pm, Lodi Village Square

Kick off your holiday season with a visit from Santa, reindeer from Spring Mist Farms, horse-drawn wagon rides, face painting, crafts, and plenty of treats!

Held in conjunction with Lodi Village, Lodi-Harrisville Historical Society, and Lodi Railroad Museum.

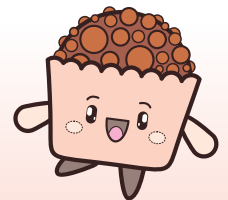
Visit mcdl.info/WinterWonderland for more information.

Song

The Muffin Man

Oh, do you know the muffin man,
The muffin man, the muffin man?
Oh, do you know the muffin man,
Who lives on Drury Lane?

Oh, yes, I know the muffin man,
The muffin man, the muffin man,
Oh, yes, I know the muffin man,
Who lives on Drury Lane!



Books to Read

Harold Hates to Hibernate by Vern Kousky

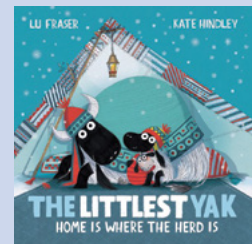
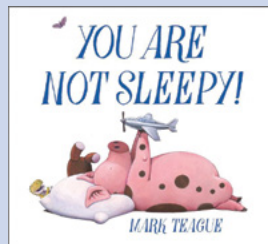
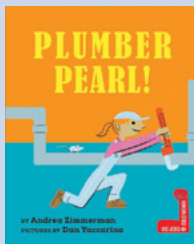
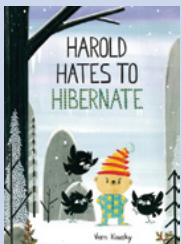
Plumber Pearl! by Andrea Zimmerman

Pig Town Party by Lian Cho

You Are Not Sleepy! by Mark Teague

Home Is Where the Herd Is by Lu Fraser

A Cozy Winter Day by Eliza Wheeler





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Fun activities to promote literacy and learning

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Create your own <i>I Spy</i> game with items in your house.	2 Practice writing your name for holiday cards.	3 Describe the weather outside.	4 Pick up reindeer food at your local library branch.	5 Learn <i>The Muffin Man</i> song (words on the other side.)	6 Make a Cheerio or Fruit Loop necklace.	7 Winter Wonderland at Lodi Library (Details on other side.)
8 Learn how to do a somersault.	9 Talk about what makes you happy.	10 Draw a picture for a neighbor or older friend.	11 Make a snowman.	12 Sing your favorite song and dance along.	13 Practice learning your address and phone number.	14 How many lights are in your house? Talk about energy.
15 Read the story <i>The Gingerbread Man</i> .	16 Make a gingerbread house.	17 Talk about what you would like to be when you grow up.	18 Can you walk like a bear? Hop like a bunny? What other animals?	19 Make sounds like different animals.	20 Drop off a letter to Santa at the library.	21 Make a paper chain to decorate your house. Can you make a pattern?
22 What is your favorite winter activity?	23 Count the number of plates in your kitchen.	24 Name things that are white like snow.	25 Make a special batch of cookies.	26 Spend your day with family having fun!	27 Work on a jigsaw puzzle.	28 Talk about the shape of snowflakes and cut one out.
29 Put objects in your house into groups of 5 (spoons, toys, buttons).	30 Use your socks to make a puppet show.	31 Name as many animals with fur as you can.				

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