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Month-by-month learning

How can you keep the learning going while school is out? Try these fun ideas for taking advantage of monthly celebrations! Your child's skills will stay sharp, and you'll enjoy family time, too.

May

Let you youngster cycle her way to math practice during *National Bike Month*. Encourage her to set a goal for time spent biking, and then take regular family bike rides. She can create a graph to track her progress. Perhaps she'll make a picture graph and draw I bike wheel for every 15 minutes of cycling. She'll be able to calculate her time at a glance.

June

Inspire your child to use persuasive writing during *National Safety Month*. Together, brainstorm safe behaviors (wear seat belts in the car, stay indoors during thunderstorms). Next, have her make posters with slogans ("Be on the safe side: Buckle up before you ride!"), facts ("Seat belts save lives"), and photos of family members following the rule.

July

Celebrate National Park and Recreation Month by exploring nature. Visit local parks, and have your

youngster record her observations and use them to design field guides. Take along paper and colored pencils so she can sketch and label plants and animals, describe streams, or map out trails.

August

Build communication skills with *National Radio Day*. Challenge you child to "launch" a radio station. She should think about her audience and purpose - who her listeners would be and the type of programming they would want. Now she can develop scripts and record broadcasts!



Title 1 information can be found on our school website at

www.ges.catoosa.k12.ga.us.

Please check the website for important dates, upcoming events, instructional videos, and information on how to help your child succeed!

For the 2017-2018 school year, GES received \$121,632 in Title | funds. Sixty percent of these funds are spent on salaries for our Academic Coach and Parent Involvement Coordinator. Thirty-five percent of these funds are used towards technology resources for our students. We have purchased leases for the following computer programs; IXL, Brain Pop, Lexia, Spelling City, Newsela, easyCBM, Flocabulary, and Reading Eggs. Five percent of these funds are spent on professional development for our teachers. If you would like to provide any feedback or have any questions on how the Title | funds are being spent, please feel free to contact our Principal, Mrs. Sholl, or our Parent Involvement Coordinator, Kami Leonard.