

JUST FOR KIDS – JUNE 2023

JUNE HOLIDAYS AND EVENTS

FLAG DAY – JUNE 14

We all know the American flag, but how did it come about? Why does it use the colors red, white, and blue? What do the stars and stripes represent? Explore the origins of the flag and the history of why we celebrate it on Flag Day with this fun, short video.

<https://ny.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/339cef7c-616c-461d-8752-f611b00d7c87/flag-day-all-about-the-holidays/?student=true&focus=true>

FLAG DAY FOOD AND CRAFTS

MAKE YOUR OWN FLAG CAKE (ages 6-12) **with adult help**

Decorate a 9x11 cake to look like the American Flag. Try the baked cake mix version or the no-bake cheesecake version.

<https://www.dltk-kids.com/usa/flag-cake.htm>

MAKE AN AMERICAN FLAG TOILET PAPER ROLL WINDSOCK (ages 8-12)

With just a few simple materials you can make this patriotic windsock that blows in the wind.

<https://mandapandaprojects.com/patriotic-american-flag-toilet-paper-roll-windsock/>

FATHER'S DAY – JUNE 19

Father's Day is a special holiday where we honor the fathers in our lives. Each year we celebrate all of the dads, grandfathers and father figures that make us who we are. Watch this quick video to learn the history of the holiday and different ways people celebrate it.

<http://ny.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/7caed470-fb02-4ef9-bf99-cd3b39caa073/fathers-day-all-about-the-holidays/?student=true&focus=true>

SUMMER SOLSTICE - JUNE 21

This is the first day of summer in the Northern Hemisphere. It's the day with the most hours of daylight, so enjoy! In the Southern Hemisphere, winter begins at this time. Here are some videos that tell you about the summer solstice:

<https://youtu.be/Yp8QU9cCvzc> (ages 8-10)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6crz7eO_ahU (ages 10 and up)

SUMMER SOLSTICE CRAFTS

MAKE YOUR OWN SUNDIAL (ages 5-7)

For many thousands of years people would track the time with a sundial. You can make your own sundial at home from a paper plate and a pencil.

<https://littlebinsforlittlehands.com/how-to-make-a-sundial/>

MAKE YOUR OWN SUNDIAL (ages 8-12)

Here's a video that shows you all different ways to make a sundial – including making a human sundial! There's also directions and a template for making one from a paper plate.

VIDEO: <https://youtu.be/SeSexM-wVzA>

DIRECTIONS/TEMPLATE: <https://pagingsupermom.com/make-a-sundial/>

STORIES

FLAG DAY

F IS FOR FLAG by Wendy Cheyette Lewison (ages 6-8) **Read aloud**

This story will tell you about how we see the flag in different places and that it can mean many things like unity, welcome, or serve as reminders for good and bad times. You will also learn about our flag has changed over the years.

<https://youtu.be/ja37jgbacOs>

I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE by Pat Mora and Libby Martinez (ages 6-8) **Read aloud**

Join Libby and her great aunt Lobo in learning to say the Pledge of Allegiance. Lobo is going to become a citizen of the United States of **America** and needs practice saying the Pledge of Allegiance. You can practice along with this video.

<https://youtu.be/4Qs6R24udGE>

FATHER'S DAY

WHAT DADDIES DO BEST by Laura Numeroff (ages 3-5) **Read aloud**

Daddies can do lots of things well, like give a piggyback ride, build a snowman, give the dog a bath, and lots more. What can your daddy do well?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k82jMZmqPHk>

PAPA, PLEASE GET THE MOON FOR ME by Eric Carle (ages 4-8) **Animated**

Monica wants the moon to play with, so her Papa sets out to get it for her. It isn't easy to climb all the way to the moon, but he finally succeeds--only to find that the moon is too big to carry home! How will he solve this problem?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sGqAw7UM6qo>

FATHER'S DAY by Anne Rockwell (ages 6-8) **Read aloud**

Kids in Mrs. Madoff's class are making special books for their dads. First the kids think about their special moments with their fathers. Sam's dad is so strong, he can carry Sam on his shoulders. Eveline's dad sings to her when Maman has to work at night. Jessica writes about her father in Texas ... and her stepfather at home. And when it's time to celebrate at school, Jessica gets the best surprise of all.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eK7kM3I-91o>

OWL MOON by Jane Yolen (ages 6-10) Read aloud

Have you ever seen an owl? Join this little girl and her father as go out into the woods on a cold winter night to find an owl. Will they find one? Sssh..you have to be very quiet when you go out owling!

<https://youtu.be/qMTdIHT15Ag>

SUMMER SOLSTICE

THE LONGEST DAY: CELEBRATING THE SUMMER SOLSTICE

by Wendy Pfeffer (ages 8-13) Read aloud

Learn about the history and science behind the summer solstice, and also about summer celebrations from various cultures around the world.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YygbpFb5W7A>

JEWISH FOLKLORE STORIES

VILLAGE OF IDIOTS (ages 8-13) Animated

There are many stories about “the wise men of Chelm, but many people think they are not wise at all, but instead foolish. After watching this story, what do you think?

<https://youtu.be/TLGnekh2y6k>

SAGES OF CHELM AND THE MOON by Shlomo Abas (ages 8-13) Read aloud

The moon has disappeared! Has it been stolen as the people of Chelm think? Or is it hiding? Will buying a new moon solve the problem?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hBzJcK-Dhn0>

MUSIC AND MOVEMENT

Get your body in shape for all the summer activities ahead Jack Hartmann

I CAN MOVE MY BODY LIKE ANYTHING -- MOVEMENT SONG (ages 5-7) video with Jack Hartmann

Move your body with fun dances, shake like a salt shaker, roll like a roller coaster, pop like popcorn, wave like the ocean, flip like a pancake, bounce like a basketball, twirl and more!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oLaJ4jyKBUY>