



### PARENT NEWS | SEPTEMBER 2021

## -BUZZWORTHY-

#### September 8th is Int'l Literacy Day

617 million children and adolescents worldwide are not achieving minimum proficiency levels in reading and math! During the Coronavirus Pandemic, many

schools and child care centers were closed disrupting the education of 62.3% of the world's student population. Reading is one of the most important skills your child will ever learn. Many parents incorrectly believe that literacy skills start at the beginning of Kindergarten. In reality, from birth,

babies and small children are gathering the skills they'll need to learn to read such as singing nursery rhymes, The years between ages 3 and 5 are critical

to your child's literacy development, Although having books at home is a great start, reading to your child 20-30 minutes a day will set your child up for reading success. You can also start talking about letters, numbers, and words that rhyme. The best way to instill a love for and interest in reading is to simply read to your child every day. For even more fun literacy games, check out our website for a book we've put together of games that you can play at home and in the car with your child.



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# -REMINDERS-

Closed on Monday, Sept. 6th for Labor Day Preschool Apple Picking Field Trip (Specific Date to come)

We are officially back to school! Please be sure to read your classroom newsletters provided by the Head teachers. We have lots of exciting things planned for this year!

Strap up your boots and put on your cozy flannel shirt—it's apple picking time! Apple season is one of the best parts of fall, and provides a great activity that you can do with your family and kids! Our favoirte fun family farms whose apple picking activities are sweet as pie include Ricker Hill Orchard, Wallingford's Orchard, Vista of Maine and

Lakeside Orchards

-Events-

September is Prime Apple Picking Season 9/6- Closed for Labor Day 9/8 - Int'l Literacy Day 9/11 - 20 Year Anniv. of Sept 11 9/13- Kids Take the Kitchen 9/15- Tackle Kids Cancer Day 9/20 - Nat'l Care for Kids Day 9/27 - Nat'l Family Day

SMITTEN TO THE CORE! 84 Farms in Maine produce one million bushels of apples between August and early November every year.