

Saint Mary's Catholic School - Rising Junior Kindergarten Summer Activities

****Complete at least 3 activities a week. Initial the squares you completed together. Choice boards need to be signed and returned at Open House in August.****



Supplemental packets will be available in the office should you want additional JK practice items over the summer.

JUNE

Make a name card of your child's first name. Practice recognizing name in print. Recite the letter names in order and practice writing (first letter uppercase, rest of letters lowercase).	Practice using the bathroom and washing hands independently.	Practice writing their name with first letter uppercase, rest of letters lowercase.	Use cheerios to make and count groups from 1 -10.
Play "I Spy" with environmental print. "I Spy with my little eye the Target sign (a stop sign, an Exit sign, etc.)." Child will point to it and say "Target (stop, exit)".	Fill the bottom of a tupperware container with sand or salt and practice writing letters and numbers. They can use their finger, a q-tip, or small paint brush.	Practice using scissors correctly.	Play a board game together. Suggestions: Chutes and Ladders, Candy Land, Yeti in My Spaghetti, Zingo, Bingo, Hoot Owl Hoot!, Memory. It is OKAY for your child to lose.
Practice Sign of the Cross correctly.	Go to the library and pick out picture books together.	Read a Dr. Seuss book and identify the rhyming words together.	Draw a picture using triangles, squares, rectangles, and circles.
Listen to Version 2 of the letter sounds Jack Hartmann song. Learning Letter Sounds Version 2	Play a number game with your child. Examples: "Let's count how many steps as we go up the stairs", "Let's count how many cars you lined up on the floor", "I am putting 5 books on the shelf, watch me 1-2-3-4-5, now you count them."	Read a book aloud and have your child turn the pages (left to right directionality practice).	Build a tower, count how many blocks, and then knock it over and do it again! (Extension: build other creations and count the number of blocks used.
Play "I say, You do!" practicing following 2-3 step directions. "Go get a book and a shoe then put them on the couch." "Get your water bottle and put it on the kitchen table."	Do an 8-10 large piece puzzle. If your child can do one already, challenge them with more pieces or puzzles with smaller size pieces.	Practice snack and lunch prayer: "Bless us oh Lord For these thy gifts which we are about to receive From thy bounty Through Christ our Lord. Amen"	Buy a coloring book and practice coloring in the lines.

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JULY

<p>Practice unzipping and zipping your backpack and coat.</p>	<p>Play a board game. It is OKAY for your child to lose.</p>	<p>Write your child's name in pencil and have them "rainbow" trace it with 5 different colors.</p>	<p>Practice using the bathroom and washing hands independently.</p>
<p>Use a paint brush and a container filled with a mixture of water and crushed chalk to write letters and numbers in your driveway.</p>	<p>Make a fun cutting bin to practice using scissors. Use cooked noodles, paper shreds, straws, playdough, leaves, etc.</p>	<p> A B C Kick Box by ...</p>	<p>Draw a picture with 5 items that start with the same first letter as your name. Label them.</p>
<p>Play the "Count and Compare Game". Make two sets of different objects. Count the number in each, write it, and circle the bigger number.</p>	<p>Find a YouTube directed drawing and complete it. Suggestions: https://youtu.be/W96NjHXArEA</p>	<p>Have them dictate a card for a family member or friend and practice writing their name on it.</p>	<p>Play "Bigger, Smaller" with a deck of cards (take out face cards). Deal cards evenly between you and child, flip cards over at the same time and whoever has the bigger number keeps the card. The person at the end with the most cards wins.</p>
<p> Exercise, Rhyme a...</p>	<p>Print and color summer printables. https://www.easypeasyandfun.com/summer-coloring-pages/</p>	<p>Match uppercase and lowercase magnetic letters.</p>	<p>Practice holding and using a crayon using "pincer grasp."</p>
<p>String beads on pipe cleaners to make bracelets.</p>	<p>Say a letter sound and have your child find items that start with that sound. Example: "/B/" "Barbie, bucket, backpack, banana"</p>	<p>Build with legos.</p>	<p>Use liquid glue and cover with finely grained colored sprinkles to make numbers 0-5 on index cards. Let cards dry. Practice tracing numbers with pointer finger.</p>

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AUGUST

<p>Practice using the bathroom and washing hands independently.</p>	<p>Practice unzipping and zipping your backpack and coat.</p>	<p>Make a list of favorite snack and lunch items together.</p>	<p>Make a “school lunch” together and pack it in their JK lunchbox. Include a protein, fruit, and carb. Have them practice unzipping box, opening any prepackaged tems, eat in 30 minutes or less, and throw away their own trash just like they will in JK!</p>
<p>Color with sidewalk chalk. Encourage your child to use lines and curves to create pictures.</p>	<p>Write your child’s name on a plain piece of paper with a pencil. Have your child “rainbow” trace it using 4 different color crayons. Rember to make first letter uppercase and rest of letters lowercase.</p>	<p>Use q-tips and paint to practice writing name, letters, numbers.</p>	<p>Practice reciting the alphabet on a Rainbow Arc.</p> 
<p> YouTube https://www.youtube.com · Jack Hartmann Kids Music Channel</p>	<p>Pull two cards of each number 2-6 from a card deck. Play “Memory” game with them.</p>	<p>Play “Simon Says Follow Directions” giving 2-3 step directions. Example: “Simon Says touch your nose and jump up and down, Simon Says take three steps forward, sit down, then wiggle your fingers in the air.”</p>	<p>Go to the library together and check out nonfiction books on a subject your child is interested in. (dinosaurs, princesses, legos, dogs, airplanes, trains).</p>
<p>Listen to a read aloud on Storytime at Awnie’s House on You Tube.</p>	<p>Play “Word Detective”. Say the sounds in a word and have your child call out the word. Example: Parent: /m/ /a/ /p/ Child: map!</p>	<p>Make homemade playdough. https://www.iheartnaptime.net/play-dough-recipe/#recipe</p>	<p>Draw a picture for your new JK teacher. Have your child dictate what they drew.</p>
<p>Do exercises in sets of 10- jumping jacks, frog jumps, hop on one foot, march).</p>	<p>Play “Thumbs Up, Thumbs Down” with the following words. Thumbs up if they start with the same sound, thumbs down if they do not.</p> <p>day/dip cat/hat my/sat can/cow boat/bat go/get sad/sit he/hop wet/zip</p>	<p>Listen to nursery rhymes. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S8quqVv-i04</p>	<p>Make homemade bubbles. https://rainydaymum.co.uk/bubble-mix-just-like-your-mom-made/</p>

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