

Too Small to Fail Topic Calendar (November 2018)

I. November Observances & Events:

- 11/08 National Parents as Teachers Day (#ParentsAsTeachersDay)
- 11/11 Veteran’s Day
- 11/13 World Kindness Day
- 11/20 Universal Children’s Day
- 11/28 Thanksgiving (#Thanksgiving)

TOPICS	SAMPLE RESOURCES
<p>11/04 - 11/10 Early Literacy</p> <p>This week, we’re sharing tips and resources on how parents can instill a love of reading in their little ones from early on and help them develop early literacy skills.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 11/08 National Parents as Teachers Day (#ParentsAsTeachersDay) 	<p>Early Literacy Resources TSTF</p> <p>Books Build Connections Toolkit AAP/TSTF</p> <p>The Benefits of Reading Aloud to Children TSTF</p> <p>VIDEO: Looking at Books Sesame Street/TSTF</p> <p>How to Raise a Reader New York Times</p> <p>What We Know About Early Literacy and Language Development ZERO TO THREE</p> <p>Five Ways to Find Time to Read Aloud 15 Minutes a Day in a Busy World Washington Post</p> <p>Infographic: Read Aloud 15 Minutes Every Day Read Aloud</p> <p>Tips for Sharing Books with Babies and Toddlers ZERO TO THREE</p>

11/11 - 11/17 Raising Empathetic and Kind Children

Empathy is the ability to sense other people's emotions and understand what someone else is thinking or feeling. Young children are born with a natural capacity for empathy; as early as 6 months of age, infants sense and mirror their caregivers' emotions and behavior. By modeling and encouraging empathetic behavior, parents can nurture empathy in their children during the early years. We will provide tips and resources on how parents and caregivers can build and reinforce their child's empathy.

- 11/11 Veteran's Day
- 11/13 World Kindness Day

[Six Ways Parents Can Raise Empathetic Children](#) TSTF

[Empathy and Kindness Go Hand in Hand](#) TSTF

[Raise Your Young Child to Care About Others](#) Parents

[How to Help Your Child Develop Empathy](#) ZERO TO THREE

[10 Tips for Raising a Compassionate Infant-Toddler](#) NAEYC

[The Three R's? Teach Your Child the Three E's!](#) Washington Post

[Teaching Children Empathy](#) NYT

11/18 - 11/24 Everyday Fun With Science

Young children are naturally curious about science, or the study of the natural world. They are drawn to questions that help them make sense of their world. Parents can help children learn about science through language-rich conversations about their explorations, and by encouraging them to use all their senses--touching, smelling, tasting, seeing, and hearing.

- 11/20 Universal Children's Day

[Let's Talk, Read, and Sing About STEM!](#) TSTF

[STEM Moments: Everyday Fun With Science](#) TSTF

[STEM Moments: Everyday Fun with Engineering and Technology](#) TSTF

[Sensory Play Encourages Thinking - and Fun!](#) TSTF

[10 Tips to Support Children's Science Learning](#) NAEYC

[STEM Starts Earlier Than You Think](#) Forbes

[Children Are Naturally Curious About Science. Why Don't We Nurture That](#) Education Week

[Everyday Fun with Science](#) TSTF

[Everyday Fun with Engineering and Technology](#) TSTF

11/25 - 12/01 Instilling Gratitude in Young Children

To celebrate this season of giving thanks, we're sharing tips and resources to help parents raise thankful children all year long. Instilling a sense of gratitude in children is an important part of healthy social-emotional development. Studies have shown that gratitude benefits children by bettering relationships with their peers and family, improving school performance and decreasing envy and materialism. What's more, grateful children are not only happier, but more satisfied with their lives.

- 11/28 Thanksgiving

[Gratitude for Every Day of the Year](#) TSTF

[Teaching Children to Be Grateful](#) Parents

[Finally, a Cool Formula for Teaching Kids How to Be More Grateful, From a Gratitude Researcher \(and Dad\)](#) Huffington Post

[How to Raise an Appreciative Child](#) Today's Parents

[Raising a Thankful Child](#) NAEYC

[12 Tips for Teaching Children Gratitude](#) Healthy Children

[Teaching Kids the Importance of Gratitude](#) Everyday Health