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Elementary Mind & Body Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
National Health Observances: Emotional Wellness Month National Bullying Prevention Month National Depression Education & Awareness Month Positive Attitude Month 5 th - National Do Something Nice Day 10 th - World Mental Health Day 20 th - National Youth Confidence Day Yoga Images from www.forteyoga.com		1 Reverse Tag All the other players count to 10 and try to tag the "it" person! Whoever tags the "it" person becomes the "it" for the next round.	2 Mindful Minute For 60 seconds, clear your mind & only focus on your breathing. If your mind starts to wander, bring your attention back to your breathing.	3 Line Jumps Find a line on the ground and jump from side to side 10 times. Rest 10 second repeat.	4 Catch with a Catch Toss a ball in the air, try each challenge before catching the ball: 1.Touch your nose 2. Clap twice 3.High-five someone 4. Spin around	5 Compliment Someone Today give someone a genuine compliment. Examples: -I like your hairstyle todayI like how you're helpful. National Do Something Nice Day!
6 Upward Crescent Moon Pose This pose targets the lower back and shoulders. Hold for 30-60 seconds release and repeat.	7 Mindful Senses What do you notice around you? Find: 5 things you see 4 things you feel 3 things you hear 2 things smell 1 thing you taste	8 Walk and Talk Take a walk with your parents or an adult who takes care of you about what to do if you are bullied or see someone being bullied.	9 I'm Awesome! Write down three things about yourself you're proud of.	10 Read & Move Pick a book to read and select an "action word" that will be repeated often. When the "action word is read stand up and sit down. World Mental Health Day	11 Recharge Avoid using technology two hours before bed. Did you sleep better?	12 Revolved Triangle Pose Hold for 30-60 seconds on each side to target hamstrings and shoulders.
13 Animal Charades Try moving around like these animals: Chicken, snake, horse, dog. Try without making noises to see if someone can guess!	14 Mindful Minute For 60 seconds, clear your mind & only focus on your breathing. If your mind starts to wander, bring your attention back to your breathing.	15 Walking Race Pick a distance and challenge a friend to a speed walking race. No running!	16 Side Seated Angle Pose Hold for 30-60 seconds on each side to target the hamstrings and calves.	17 Parachute With friend or family member use a bed sheet like a parachute in PE. Lift up and down to move air underneath the sheet.	18 Mindful Snack When eating a snack today, really pay attention to the taste, feel, sound, smell and look of the snack you're eating. What do you notice?	19 Just play! Hide-and-seek, tag, hopscotch, hula hoop, pogo stick, it's up to you!
20 Positive Talk Sunday Be sure to talk to yourself today like you would talk to someone you love. National Youth Confidence Day	21 Yoga Combo Try all of the poses from this month back-to-back. End with Savasana from last month.	Prep Do one thing today to help prepare you for tomorrow. Examples: -Pack your bookbag -Check your homework -Pick out your clothes	23 Create a Dance Make up a dance to your favorite song. Be sure to include a jump, a slide and a spin.	24 Compliment Someone Today give someone a genuine compliment. Examples: -I like your hairstyle todayI like how you're helpful.	25 Clap and Catch Throw a ball or soft object up into the air. See how many times you can clap before you catch it	26 Device Detox Can you go without your phone, tablet, TV or internet? Try to go device free for 2 hours.
27 Underhand Toss Target Practice Using an empty laundry basket or bucket, practice tossing a small object inside. Each time you make it take a step back.	28 Side Seated Angle Pose Hold for 30-60 seconds on each side to target the hamstrings and calves	29 Crabby Clean Up Tidy up while walking like a crab! Carry items on your belly across the room to put them away.	30 Be Inclusive Invite a classmate you don't really know to join you in an activity.	31 Attached at the Hip Place a ball between you & partner's hips. Try to walk across the room without letting the ball drop.	SHAPE America recommends school-age children accumulate at least 60 minutes and up to several hours of physical activity per day. Each bout of physical activity should be followed by cool-down stretches that help reduce soreness and avoid injury. Happy exercising!	