

## Employee Birthdays

Katelynn 4/22

Brandi 4/29

Rodricka 4/30

## Employee Anniversaries

Brandi - 4 years

Jean - 6 years

## April Children's Birthdays

Christopher

Jaxson

Saniyah

Mila

Adrian

Trew

Jordan

Chaz

Nathan

Jala

## Dixie Employee of the Month

Jasmine Shirley-Ford CGA

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			1 April Fools Day	2 International Children's Book Day ----- World Autism Day Wear Blue!
5 National Deep Dish Pizza Day	6	7 National Walking Day	8	9 National Unicorn Day 
12 National Grilled Cheese Sandwich Day	13	14 National Gardening Day	15	16 National Pajama Day
19	20  PHOTO DAY - KIDS AND STAFF	21	22  GO PLANET IT'S YOUR EARTH DAY	23
26 National Pretzel Day	27	28 Denim Day	29	30 International Jazz Day

# **April 2nd is International Children's Book Day.**

## **This day is celebrated to inspire a love of reading.**



April 23rd is World Book Day

### **Benefits of Reading to Children**

Gives you bonding time with your child

Improves listening skills

Supports cognitive and language development

Reading books to kids helps expand their vocabulary

Reading sparks creativity

Provides a chance to talk about real-world situations

Supports social and emotional development

All ages benefit from reading, even babies

### **Tips**

Be consistent and make reading part of your day

Take your time and do not make reading seem like a chore

Get creative by using different voices and incorporating songs

Choose books that relate to everyday experiences

### **Where to start**

Visit your local library. Curbside pickup is available at many locations

Visit [www.getepic.com](http://www.getepic.com) to access free e-books

Book gifting program <https://imaginationlibrary.com/> (not available in all areas)

Look for Little Free Libraries which are book sharing boxes.

To search for boxes in your area visit <https://littlefreelibrary.org/ourmap/>

<https://www.readbrightly.com> can help you choose the right book based on age and child's interests

