

Back-to-school time! With a brand-new school-year looming before you no doubt you have lots of goals that you would like to see accomplished. Remember, you have 36 weeks to get everything done ... so don't burn yourself out early on by trying to do too much at the beginning of the year. It's better to start off slow and then add in extra activities and assignments as you get into a routine.

Celebrate the first day of school by printing out a sign for each child with his or her name, age,

and grade, along with "First Day of School" and the year. Take a picture of each one holding his or hersign as a keepsake.



Teaching Moments and Hands-On Activities

- Back-to-school printables - www.activityvillage.co.uk/back_to_school.htm
- *Leading Little Ones to God*
 - Music for Lesson 1: www.kididdles.com/lyrics/g055.html
 - Music for Lesson 2: <http://cyberhymnal.org/htm/m/y/mygodhow.htm>
- Bible Reading
 - Lesson 142 at <http://children.cccm.com/OTTableOfContents.pdf>
- Memorization
 - Psalm 1: <http://biblestoryhour.blogspot.com/2009/09/sing-psalm-of-joy-psalm-1.html>
 - Lesson 142 at <http://children.cccm.com/OTTableOfContents.pdf>
 - Coloring sheets - www.hubbardscupboard.org/Psalm_1_Coloring_Sheets_NIV.pdf
 - Copywork pages - www.hubbardscupboard.org/Bible_Verse_Copywork_Psalm_1_NIV.pdf
- *Usborne Book of Peoples of the World*
 - Check out one or two audio tapes or CDs for learning foreign languages at your local library for your children to hear how different languages sound.
- *Charlotte's Web*
 - Farm animal activities - www.enchantedlearning.com/themes/faranimals.shtml
 - Farm animal activities - www.activityvillage.co.uk/farm_animals.htm
 - Pig theme activities - www.enchantedlearning.com/themes/pig.shtml
 - Spider theme activities - www.enchantedlearning.com/themes/spiders.shtml
 - More "pig" and *Charlotte's Web* theme ideas - www.fastq.com/~jbpratt/education/theme/animals/pigcharweb.html