

## Readiness Kits

These readiness kits are provided as a result of a grant from the Athol Royalston Education Foundation. They are intended to be used by students at home with parents to reinforce foundational skills in the areas of reading, math and fine motor control. Some of these skills are:

- letter identification
- letter/sound correspondence
- sorting by attribute (color, size, etc)
- number identification
- counting with 1:1 correspondence
- book handling skills/part of a book (front, back, title, cover, author)
- reading pictures in a text
- pattern building
- cutting skills
- grasp of a writing tool
- building vocabulary

All of the materials in this kit can be used in a variety of ways and for many skills. Here are a few ideas:

- read stories aloud to your child
- sort bears by color/size
- use alphabet letters/ numbers for name game
- use dice and numbers for matching game
- use unifix cubes for fine motor control and for pattern building
- practice cutting skills with scissors

These kits are intended to be lent out to you, the parent, to give you the materials and ideas you need to play with your child while building skills. **DON'T FORGET** – kids learn best while playing! Make everything a game - enjoy and have fun! There really is no right or wrong, the fact that you have a kit means you are on the right track to enhancing your child's educational skills. If you have any questions or need ideas, please feel free to contact Jenn Ames by phone at 978-407-7335 or email at [james@arrsd.org](mailto:james@arrsd.org).