**Invention Project Morning Announcements**

**January**

**Creativity Month**

January is Creativity Month! This summer at Invention Project®, you will have the opportunity to use your creativity to come up with new, innovative ideas and design high-tech prototypes of your invention. You will also develop savvy plans to market and sell your products! Celebrate Creativity Month by learning more about this exciting weeklong program at [insert website]!

**February**

**National Inventors’ Day: Tuesday, February 11**

Today is National Inventors’ Day! Celebrate by collecting items from around your house to create your own invention prototype to solve a real-world problem. This summer, you can continue the fun at Invention Project® where you’ll spend a week taking on exciting challenges and collaborating with friends to invent and take your ideas to market! Register today at [insert website].

**Innovation Day: Sunday, February 16 (*share on Friday, February 14*)**

Sunday is National Innovation Day. At Invention Project®, you will bring your biggest innovation ideas to life through real-world challenges. You will brainstorm, build, market and pitch your invention while having fun with friends! Learn more about this weeklong summer adventure at [insert website].

**March**

**Craft Month**

In honor of Craft Month this month, the National Inventors Hall of Fame® invites you to get crafty with innovation this summer and stretch your creativity to the max at Invention Project®! Dream up and design high-tech prototypes that solve real-world challenges, then take your product to market and come up with an interesting strategy to sell your invention! We’d love to see you there! Visit [insert website] to secure your spot.

**Waffle Day: Wednesday, March 25**

Did you have a waffle for breakfast this morning? If so, you have begun the celebration of Waffle Day! Can you guess what waffles have to do with Nike®? You might be surprised to learn that the inventor who started the company, National Inventors Hall of Fame® Inductee Bill Bowerman, used a waffle iron to experiment with making waffle-ironed rubber to create a lightweight and durable bottom for shoes. Come to Invention Project® this summer and discover more about inventors who have transformed our world with their creative ideas! Register today at [insert website].

**April**

**National Zipper Day: Wednesday, April 29**How many things do you think you could name that use a zipper? You could probably list most articles of clothing, as well as backpacks, sports bags, purses, tents, laptop cases and many more items. The zipper is an extraordinary invention that many of us use daily. This helpful and handy fastener was invented and patented by National Inventors Hall of Fame® Inductee Gideon Sundback. For all his hard work, we can now celebrate today, National Zipper Day! To learn more about extraordinary and inspiring inventors, sign up for Invention Project®, where you can learn how to design, market and protect your own inventions! Visit [insert website] to register today.

**May**

**National Inventors’ Month**

Happy National Inventors’ Month! Do you know what a patent is? A patent is what gives an inventor the rights to their invention. At Invention Project®, you will create inventions and learn how to protect your unique ideas. You will also participate in rapid prototyping activities to design your invention and take it to the next level by applying marketing and entrepreneurship skills. Learn more about this exciting, innovative summer experience at [insert website].

**Teacher Appreciation Day: Tuesday, May 5**

Don’t forget to thank your teachers for all their hard work, because today is Teacher Appreciation Day! We’re so thankful for all the amazing, talented educators who are also part of Invention Project® each year. This summer at Invention Project, you will receive inspiration from real-world inventors, discover your own innovation style and create marketing and advertising concepts to learn how to take your ideas to market. Learn more today at [insert website].

**June**

**National Best Friends Day: Monday, June 8**

Today is National Best Friends Day! This summer you can join your best friends while also making new friends at Invention Project®! Team up to turn your ideas into inventions and have fun in this exciting, hands-on environment. Secure your spot today at [insert website].