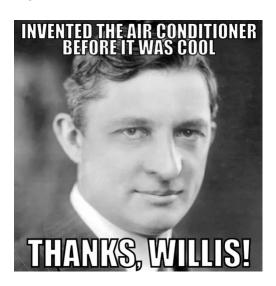


"Summer afternoon - summer afternoon; to me, those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English Language." ~ Henry James

Dear THSC Friend,

Weatherwise, summer is in full swing! Around our area of Texas, it isn't uncommon for it to hit 100 degrees before noon.

I don't know about you, but when we try to do summery things outdoors, we find ourselves longingly looking toward the house and air conditioning...



I'd like to take this opportunity to give a shout-out to Willis Carrier, the inventor of the air conditioner!

Yay for him!

Because we are homeschoolers - yes, there is a unit study on him and on his inventions!

Here are some fun ways to incorporate that sunny, summer vibe while not

venturing out into the heat.

Summer Reading Programs

If your kids are reading a lot anyway, why not win prizes while doing it?

Bookstores, libraries, and some restaurants often have summer reading programs for kids.

Find summer reading programs in your area!





Make Indoor S'mores

Make a tent or play fort, create a pretend campfire, and get creative with your s'mores - no extra heat, ashes, or mosquito repellant required!

Indoor S'mores and Campfire

Get Creative with New Popsicle Recipes

Boring store popsicles that are all the same and taste fake? No, thank you!

Try one of these amazing recipes:

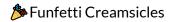
Sunrise Popsicles (pictured)

Shirley Temple Popsicles

Occording Cookies and Cream Popsicles

Berry Cheesecake Popsicles





And many more! See all 22 easy recipes.



UNeed more? Here are 40 more ideas for indoor activities to beat the summer heat.

Thank you for all you do for your homeschoolers to make exciting experiences and fun memories - it takes effort and is definitely something to be proud of!

I hope these ideas help you create an environment of joy in your home and in your homeschool overall.

Thank you for reading,





Jessica Lovett THSC Lead Writer & Editor

P.S. Is there anything you'd like to see in upcoming *Home Educator Express* newsletters? Any homeschooling questions you'd like answered? Feel free to reply and let me know!



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