



## 3s' Team Activity Packet

April 6 through April 10, 2020

Dear Parents,

Welcome to our 3s' team Activity Packet for your children. The activities listed below are suggestions of things you can do at home with your children. These packets are an ever evolving process, and we welcome your feedback. Please send me or your child's teacher your ideas to enhance our home-school connection.

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### Theme of the Week: Bunnies and Ducks and More.....

#### Art and Craft Activities:

##### 1. Bunny Handprint Cards or Pictures

This bunny handprint craft is a simple but fun activity to do with the kids. The children always have fun when we paint their hands! This could be great for Easter cards or anything else the parents want! Consider mailing some custom notecards to send to family and friends.

**Supplies:** white/pink washable paint, construction paper, black sharpie or marker, paintbrush.

**Steps:**

1. Parents should start by painting the child's hand with white paint except for the thumb. Have them squeeze their pinky/ring finger together and their pointer/middle finger together when pressing down to make bunny ears.\*
2. Add pink paint on the bunny's ears and nose.
3. After it dries, draw a bunny face with the black sharpie.

\*to make a notecard, fold the paper in half before making the handprint.



## 2. Rabbit Masks



**Supplies:** heavy card stock paper or cardboard, pink craft paper, cotton balls, string or elastic, cute paper, cut into strips, or pipe cleaners for the whiskers

**Directions:**

1. Cut out template for mask
2. Draw pink ears and have child cut out and glue to ear aspect of template
3. Glue cotton balls on ears and around eyes. Have child, using a paint brush, paint glue onto cotton balls and press into place.
4. Glue on paper strips or staple on pipe cleaners for whiskers
5. Measure and cut string to fit child's head

Hop, hop, hop!

## Science Activities:

### Learn about bunnies:

#### Bunny Behavior:

- Binkying: Bunnies will jump and twist in the air when they are happy. They will also run in different directions at a great speed
- Bunny Flop: Bunnies will do this when they are feeling happy and content. From standing, they will flop on to their side very quickly and lay there still for a few minutes
- Relaxing: Bunnies love to relax and can sleep up to 8 hours each day by taking a lot of naps.
- Cleaning: Bunnies are very clean animals and a large part of their day is spent grooming themselves and their partners.
- Sickness: Bunnies are good at hiding illnesses. If they are not moving too much, they may be sick. Call the veterinarian, an animal doctor.
- Aggression: You can tell when a Bunny feels threatened – its ears will go back and lay flat and its tail will go up. They may even grunt at you.
- Greeting: Bunnies love routine and will greet you when it is time to eat!
- Information found on [www.best4bunny.com](http://www.best4bunny.com)
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gclwTGchq5k>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rZB06p7SaMc>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ocialGzEpBI>

**Nature Scavenger Hunt:** Take a magnifying glass or a pair of homemade binoculars ([made from toilet paper rolls](#)) and have your child check out the outdoors to find the objects below.

- Flower
- Water
- Rocks
- Green leaf
- Tree
- Grass
- Spider web
- Bird
- Sand or dirt
- Cloud
- Bug
- Ant
- Worm
- Brown leaf
- Tree bark
- Butterfly
- Fern

**Predictions aka Guessing Game:**

- Fill plastic eggs with items, i.e., cars, legos, mini marshmallows, beads, push pins, shake, and have the children guess what is in them.
- Reverse the process and have the children fill the eggs and the parents or siblings guess what's inside.

Discuss: Does it sound like something soft or hard? Something big or small? Something to eat or not to eat? Have your children make predictions/guesses at what's inside. Ask them why they think that?

**Naked Egg Experiment:**



It's a naked egg! You can find out more about the science behind this phenomenon from the original source of the photo, Imagination Station Toledo.

**Basically, you just soak the egg in vinegar and the shell dissolves, see below.**

**Making a Naked Egg**



We soaked three eggs because we needed two. This makes perfect sense to anyone with kids.



It takes about two days of soaking to dissolve the shell. You will need to rub it gently with a paper towel to get it all off. And voila! A naked egg.

### What's This About Osmosis?

I learned that eggs are about 90% water, so if you put the egg in water, the egg will absorb water through its membrane until the water content is equalized. This is known as osmosis. We used colored water so we could clearly see the water was absorbed.



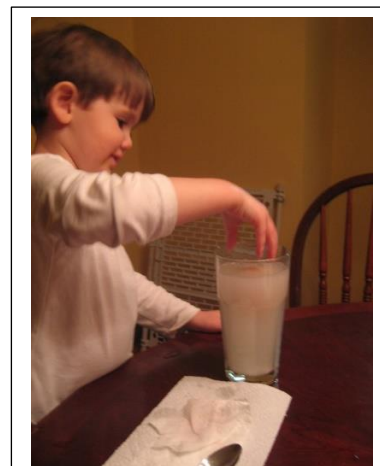
If you put the egg in a substance with low water content (e.g. corn syrup), the egg's water content will decrease, resulting in a shriveled naked egg. Yes, it looks and feels gross!



### Saltwater and Density

Next, putting aside the naked eggs for a moment, we got out a raw egg, shell on and put it in a glass of water. It sunk.

I added plenty of salt to the glass, gave it a stir, and....it floats. This is of course because the density of the egg is now less than the density of the saltwater.



## **Cooking Activity:**

### **Bird Nests**

#### **Ingredients**

- 2 packages (10 to 12 ounces each) baking chips
- 1 package (10 ounces) pretzel sticks
- 24 yellow chicks Peeps candy
- 1 package (12 ounces) M&M's eggs or other egg-shaped candy

#### **Directions**

- In a large metal bowl over simmering water, melt baking chips; stir until smooth. Reserve 1/2 cup melted chips for decorations; keep warm.
- Add pretzel sticks to remaining chips; stir to coat evenly. Drop mixture into 24 mounds on waxed paper; shape into bird nests using 2 forks.
- Dip bottoms of Peeps in reserved chips; place in nests. Attach eggs with remaining chips. Let stand until set.



## **Songs and Blessings:**

### **Blessing**

Our hands we fold,  
Our heads we bow,  
For food and drink  
We thank God now.  
Amen

### **Blessing:**

Thank you for the world so sweet.  
Thank you for the food we eat.  
Thank you for the birds that sing.  
Thank you, thank you, for everything.

## **Songs:**

### **Bunny Pokey**

*(Sung to: Hokey Pokey)*

You put your bunny ears in, <sup>SEP</sup> (place hands on head to make ears)

You put your bunny ears out,

You put your bunny ears in,

And you shake them all about.

You do the Bunny Pokey,

And you hop yourself around,

That's what it's all about

Additional verses:

- You put your bunny nose in.
- You put your bunny tail in.
- You put your bunny paws in.

### **Six Little Ducks**

Six little ducks that I once knew, fat ones, skinny ones, fair ones too.

But the one little duck, with the feather on his back,

He led the others with a quack, quack, quack.

Quack, quack, quack, quack, quack, quack,

He led the others with a quack, quack, quack.

Down to the river they would go, wibble wobble, wibble wobble, to and fro.

But the one little duck.....etc.

Home from the river they would come, wibble wobble, wibble wobble, ho -hum hum,

But the one little duck .....etc.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t-GDn2xvFQQ>

### **5 Little Ducks Finger Play**

Hold up 5 fingers

Five little ducks went out one day

Over the hill and far away

Mother duck said, "Quack, quack, quack, quack"

But only four little ducks came back

Hold up 4 fingers: One, two, three, four

Four little ducks went out one day

Over the hill and far away

Mother duck said, "Quack, quack, quack, quack"

But only three little ducks came back

Hold up 3 fingers: One, two, three

Three little ducks went out one day

Over the hill and far away

Mother duck said, "Quack, quack, quack, quack"  
But only two little ducks came back

Hold up 2 fingers: One, two

Two little ducks went out one day  
Over the hill and far away  
Mother duck said, "Quack, quack, quack, quack"  
But only one little duck came back

Hold up 1 finger: One

One little duck went out one day  
Over the hill and far away  
Mother duck said, "Quack, quack, quack, quack"  
But none of the five little ducks came back

Sad mother duck went out one day  
Over the hill and far away  
Mother duck said, "Quack, quack, quack, quack"  
And all of five little ducks came back

Five little ducks went out to play  
Over the hill and far away  
Mother duck said, "Quack, quack, quack, quack"  
And all of the five little ducks came back!

### **Spring Flowers (Finger/Song Play)**

One spring flower awakened fresh and new,  
Out popped another and then there were two.  
Two spring flowers were chatting with a bee,  
Out popped another and then there were three.  
Three spring flowers watched a bird soar,  
Out popped another and then there were four.  
Four spring flowers happy and alive,  
Out popped another and then there were five.

### **Book Suggestions:**

Chicks are Not the Only Ones by Ruth Keller  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jIRfD7TTci4>

Charlie Needs a Cloak by Tomie diPaola  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zclyZ2FzELE>

Mr Gumpy's Outing by John Birmingham  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mj\\_DV\\_DWN8M](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mj_DV_DWN8M)

Jennie's Hat by Ezra Jack Keats

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F8T8RBmZ2ow>

The Doorbell Rang by Pat Hutchins

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HZpXuc735pg>

The Runaway Bunny by Margaret Wise Brown

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bsYj1wu7u8k>

Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hy73DR493Oo>

The Tale of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0OwQxGwMIgM&t=210s>

**And There are More Books on BHCNS YouTube Channel:**

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLw9EC3Qxv9sG6ySuivSSGA?view\\_as=subscriber](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLw9EC3Qxv9sG6ySuivSSGA?view_as=subscriber)