



2s' Team Activity Packet

March 30 through April 3, 2020

Dear Parents,

Welcome to our first 2s' Activity Packet for your children. The activities listed below are suggestions of things you can do at home with your children. Many of these activities would have been part of our classroom programming in the coming days. As virtual preschool is an ever evolving process for us, we welcome your feedback on the activity packs. Please send me or your child's teacher your ideas to enhance our home-school connection.

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Themes of the Week: March Wrap Up and Spring Flowers

March: Color is **Green**

Making kites- Using cardboard make a diamond shape of any size. Have your child, paint, color or dot art their diamond. Attach crepe streamer or fabric strips or whatever is handy to make a tail for the kite. Attach a piece of string or yarn to hold and fly your kite. Take the kite outside and have your child run around "flying" their kite.

Discuss what a diamond shape looks like. Talk about how many sides a diamond has. Look for other diamond shaped objects in your house. (Use your kite diamond as a model to look for other diamond shapes.) Song: Let's go fly a kite Mary

Poppins. <https://youtu.be/zNSler7jBWs> Dance with scarves!

Books- *Kite Day A Bear and Mole Story* by Will Hillenbrand

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9IGmeddXs3o>

The Wind Blew by Pat Hutchins and we had started *The Wind Blew* by Pat Hutchins

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jOGegRIO79o>

Curious George Flies a Kite by H.A.Rey.

<https://youtu.be/9IGmeddXs3o>

Spring Flowers

We are officially in Spring, a season for flowers!

Let's make some flowers. We all have limited resources at home. Be flexible and remember to have fun!

Go on a Nature Walk:

If possible, before you make these crafts take a nature walk and look for flowers growing from the ground and flowering trees. Talk about the colors, textures, shapes, sizes. Count the flowers. Ask wondering questions "Can you count the cherry blossoms?" Watch how the cherry blossoms float down and look like snow. Are the blossoms cold like snow?

1. Child's Handprint Flowers - Variation 1

Supplies needed: construction paper, washable paint, paint brush

1. Paint a stem with leaves using washable paint in green.
2. Choose pink, yellow, blue, etc. paint to make the flowers.
3. Paint on child's palm and have them stamp their hands on the stem.
4. Repeat the steps to make several flowers on the same paper.

Variation 2:

Supplies needed: construction paper, washable paint, paint brush or Q-Tip or sponge, scissors, glue

1. Using green construction paper, cut a stem and leaves. The child or parent can do the cutting, depending on their skill sets. So parents, if your child cuts better than you, have them do the cutting 😊
2. Have your child paint glue on the back of the stem and leaves and place them on the background paper.
3. Paint the flowers. You can make handprints, dot art using a Q-tip, dot art using your child's finger, (Dip their finger into paint and have them dot on the flowers) or dip a paint brush in the paint and paint or dip a piece of sponge into paint to make flowers.



2. Flower Two: Cherry Blossom Trees- Variation 1

Supplies needed: brown crayon, tissue paper, scissors (optional), glue, paper

1. Child draws some straight lines to make the trunk and tree stems with a brown crayon. Drawing from the bottom of paper for the trunk and then lines from the trunk. They will be the stems for the flowers. Parents can use this opportunity to practice “Down and Up” with them
2. Cut pink tissue paper into approx. 2 inch squares. Or have your child tear them into small pieces.
3. Some children love to use scissors. This may be a chance to ask them to try it (with your assistance!)
4. Child crumples the cut tissue paper, dips it in the glue and pastes the flowers on the line/stem.

2's Cherry Blossom Trees – Variation 2

Either parents or child can draw a trunk with a brown crayon (or if available, brown paint) and Choose one as many of these ideas as your like to create the crown of the tree. Using magenta or pink paint and white paint. Try using a sponge, bubble wrap, your child’s finger dipped in paint, etc. Children just dip-and-print any way that makes them happy. See photo.



Viloa!!! We don't need to go to the Tidal Basin. Hang your child's artwork in your windows for friends and neighbors to see when they walk by.

Additional Activities:

Sing Along and Story Times with Mrs. Schweitzer on YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0h7oYKeZ_GI&t=46s

<https://youtu.be/rblrydpVXRM>

Watch Mrs. Ferrara's Garden Tour on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=muhKddRVsfc&list=UULw9EC3Qxv9sG6ySuivSSGA&index=39>

And you can go on a worm hunt with Mrs. Leon on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sua-oK94dJM&list=UULw9EC3Qxv9sG6ySuivSSGA&index=35>

Songs and Finger Plays for Spring

The Itsy Bitsy Spider

The itsy bitsy spider went up the waterspout.
Down came the rain and washed the spider out.
Out came the sun and dried up all the rain.
And the itsy bitsy spider climbed up the spout again.

2 Little Blackbirds

Two little blackbirds sitting on a hill
The one named Jack and the other named Jill,
Fly away Jack, fly away Jill.
Come back Jack, come back Jill.

Five Little Ducks

5 Little ducks went out one day.
Over the hills and far away.
Mother duck said "quack, quack, quack"
4 Little ducks came waddling back.
4 Little ducks went out one day Etc.
Repeat with 3 2, 1, No

Mister Sun

Oh, Mr. Sun, Sun, Mr. Golden Sun,
Please shine down on me.
Oh Mr. Sun, Sun, Mr. Golden Sun,
Hiding behind a tree
These little children are asking you
To please come out so we can play with you.
Oh Mr. Sun, Sun, Mr. Golden Sun,
Please shine down on, (2X)
Please shine down on me.

The Farmer Plants a Seed (tune of The Farmer in the Dell)

The farmer plants a seed (2X)

Hi-ho the derry-o the farmer plants a seed.

The rain begins to fall (2X)

Hi-ho the derry-o the rain begins to fall.

The sun begins to shine (2X)

Hi-ho the derry-o the sun begins to shine.

The plants begin to grow (2X)

Hi-ho the derry-o the plants begin to grow.

The flowers open up (2X)

Hi-ho the derry-o the flowers open up.

Spring Blessings:

OUR GRACE

God is Great

Good is good

And we thank God

For our food.

Amen.

Good Our Father

God our Father

God our Father

Once again

Once again

We shall ask thy blessing

We shall ask thy blessing

A-amem

A-amen.

Additional Book Suggestions:

The Run Away Bunny by Margaret Wise Brown

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kj3c99efFsA>

The Enormous Turnip by Jan Lewis

<https://youtu.be/mGw5yTOPTSQ>

Sheep in a Jeep Read Along by Nancy Shaw

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0jD2JI84U3g>

Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DjC2Db40dXA>