



2s' Team Activity Packet

April 27 through May 1, 2020

Theme of the Week: Caterpillars and Butterflies

Love is Like a Butterfly: It Goes Where It Pleases and Pleases Where It Goes - Unknown

Caterpillar Craft Projects:

1. Finger Print Caterpillar

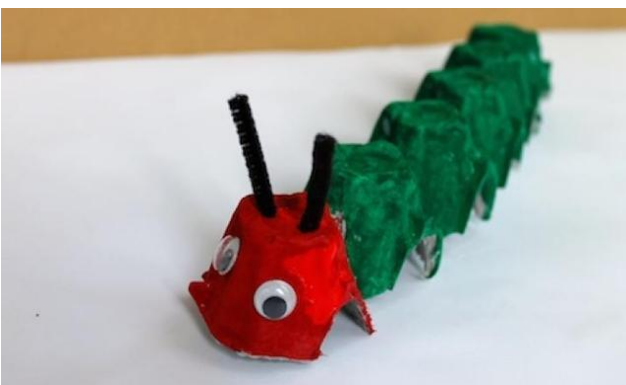
Supplies: Paper, activity paint, fingers, paint brush, black marker or crayon

Directions:

- Have your child paint a caterpillar using their finger print to make a body. They can use as many colors as they like.
- Paint the ground, clouds, a sun, a tree, etc.
- Draw a face and feet with the marker.



2. Egg Carton Caterpillar



Supplies: 1 x row of egg cups from an egg carton, red paint, green paint, 2 x googly craft eyes or use a marker, 1 x small piece black pipe cleaner, glue

Directions:

- Cut the egg carton in half.
- Have your child paint 7 sections green.
- Have them paint one section red at the front.
- Glue on eyes or draw eyes.
- Make 2 holes in the head and insert a pipe cleaner for antenna. Small sticks or straws would work too.

3. Circles Caterpillars

Supplies:

- Any color paint you would like your caterpillar to be. See all the colors of the different caterpillars in the book: [Ten Little Caterpillars](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AhhHzPG_gRI) by Bill Martin
- Any gadget, cork, sponge, finger, or Dot Art that would print a circle



Directions:

- Dip your circle in the paint color of your choice and print on paper so the circles overlap.
- Let it dry.
- Use crayons or markers or your finger dipped in paint to add antennae, little feet, eyes and a smiley face.

Butterfly Crafts

1. Butterfly Wings

Supplies:

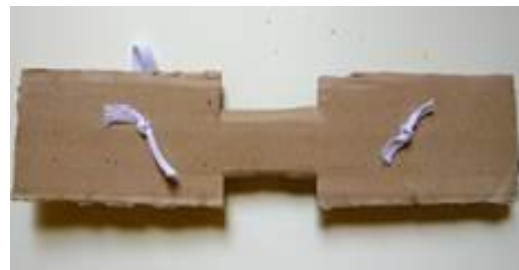
- Big white paper
- Small piece of cardboard,
- Elastic bands (yarn or string),
- Paints,
- Tape

Step 1: Fold a big piece of paper in half and then unfold it. Child drops some paint(s) on it.



Step 2: Fold paper in half and gently press it. Open paper and lay it flat to dry.

Step 3: While waiting, cut cardboard like in the picture (as wide as child's shoulder). Make a hole and secure some strings. Strings should be big enough for the child's arm.



Step 4. Now shape the painted paper like a wing and attach it in the middle of the cardboard with tapes.

Butterfly Wings Project Continued

Step 5. Now child put the arms into each elastic band and be a butterfly with wings.



2. Coffee Filter Butterflies

Supplies: coffee filters, markers or dot art, spray bottle with water and pipe cleaners.

Directions:

- Give each child a coffee filter and have them color on it with markers. Encourage them to make designs.
- Have them hold up the coffee filter, and spray with water. Let them watch the colors spread and run together.
- Once the filter is dry, bunch it in the middle and wrap a pipe cleaner around it.



3. Butterfly Collage



Supplies:

A Butterfly Shape cut from construction paper
Tissue paper squares in bright colors
Watered down glue and glue brush

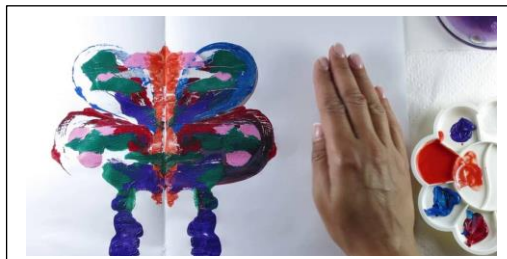
Directions:

- Brush glue all over the butterfly pattern.
- Choose your favorite colors of tissue paper squares to decorate your butterfly.
- Have fun!

Even More Butterfly Crafting:

Check out Mrs. G.'s butterfly project on YouTube.

<https://youtu.be/YECdluUQLxY> get out your water color paints and make some more butterfly wings!



Songs and Finger Plays

Caterpillars Crawling

One little caterpillar crawled on my shoe.
Along came another, then there were two.
Two little caterpillars crawled on my knee.
Along came another then there were three.
Three little caterpillars crawled on the floor.
Along came another, then there were four.
Four little caterpillars crawled away.
They all turn into butterflies some fine day.

Caterpillars!

(Sing to Itsy Bitsy Spider)

The little caterpillar crawled up into a tree,
Spun his cocoon and slept so quietly,
All through the winter, he didn't make a sound,
He dreamt of his new life when he'd be flying all around.
While he was sleeping the snow did gently fall,
Winter came and went, then she heard the robin's call,
"Come on Mr. Butterfly, out of your cocoon
Spread your wings and fly for me, while I sing my tune.

Books:

The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c8RBVbvWMd4>

Extension: TALK ABOUT IT:

Questions relating to cooking and good nutrition

- What fruits did the hungry caterpillar eat?
- What sweets did the hungry caterpillar eat?
- Which were healthier for him – the fruits or the sweets?
- Of all the foods the hungry caterpillar ate, which one is your favorite?
- What kind of meats did the hungry caterpillar eat?

The Butterfly by Anna Milbourne and Cathy Shermmen

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=76SEueaI954>

From Caterpillar to Butterfly by Deborah Heiligman

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

Ten Little Caterpillars by Bill Martin

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AhhHzPG_gRI

Waiting for Wings by Lois Ehler
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SJA9xjs3f10>

Glass Wings by Elisa Kleven
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2ciMeBEWulw>

Owly and Worm Friends All Aflutter by Andy Runton
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bkaFYYb_Kac

Flip, Float, Fly by Joann Early Macken
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sbe3q9_As8E

Dora the Explorer – So Many Butterflies
<https://youtu.be/xqs2ynx-lFO>

Circle Time with Mrs. Schweitzer on YouTube

<https://youtu.be/tskUEHJRJFc>

Spring Blessings:

OUR GRACE

God is Great
God is good
And we thank God
For our food.
Amen.

God Our Father

God our Father
God our Father
Once again
Once again
We shall ask thy blessing
We shall ask thy blessing
A-amen
A-amen

Additional Resources:

Consider getting a butterfly hatching kit like this one:

https://www.amazon.com/Insect-Lore-Butterfly-Growing-Kit/dp/B000001ISC5/ref=sr_1_3?crd=25ZHDC1MBX39T&dchild=1&keywords=very+hungry+caterpillar+butterfly+kit&qid=1587589152&sprefix=very++hungry+caterpillar%2Caps%2C192&sr=8-3



Each Spring BHP CNS uses these kits each spring in our classrooms to illustrate the life cycle of the butterfly to the children. One of the most memorable days of the school year is the day the butterflies are released.

More caterpillar and butterfly information and activities can be found in this week's 3s' activity packet and can be found on the BHP CNS website at:

<https://www.bhpcns.org/calendars---newsletters22.html> Scroll down the left side of the page to find the April 27-May 1 Activity Packet for the threes!

Musical Activities:

From Little Hands Music – BHP CNS' Music Providers

It's Time to Cook!

This will be the first in a series of "daily routines" video-and-song lists for your school and families at home!

[Ms Rachel and her baby doing Jelly on a Plate and Tiny Little Baby Bounce](#)

[Time to Cook with Ms. Debbie](#) "Let's get out our pots and pans, because it's time to cook!"

[Spotify "Time to Cook" songs](#) by Little Hands - You'll recognize lots of these songs from music classes this past Fall!

To access more music and movement activities, you are welcome to:

- join our Facebook private Group, called **Musical Moments** (where you have access to live classes, and the premieres of short, one-activity videos made by YOUR school's music teacher and others!) [Invite here.](#)
- follow our business **page on Facebook** for other updates and resources~ [Little Hands](#)
- enroll in a "**Virtual Weekly Class**" (exclusive access to 8 weekly recorded videos, two Zoom meet-ups live during the Spring Session, and a "Water, Water" themed resource list of other videos, book readings and song lists for your use at home this Spring!) Individual families [register here.](#) (starting this week and next!)
- and finally, our **YouTube channel** is where we will post public videos, after they have "aired" in the private group! Here's a link to [Little Hands YouTube.](#)

Outdoor Activities: Reprinted from last week

From Montgomery County Resource and Referral Center:

1. Pick a special spot in your backyard, under or near a tree, by a beautiful flowering bush or a large rock that you can visit daily. Sit or stand in this spot and let your senses free. What smells or feelings do you experience? What do you notice and hear?
2. Go on a walk around your neighborhood, keeping social distance of course, and notice the changes taking place as spring rolls in. Have your children pick a special tree, rock, garden that you can pass by and greet each day. While you greet the object, do a few rounds of deep breathing – let children count to five slowly while everybody inhales and then exhale with vocalization.
3. Do yoga outside. Take some towels or mats out and let the children choose an animal that you then do a pose to. There are many kid yoga websites, but here's one to try <https://mothernatured.com/animal-play/animal-yoga-for-kids/>
4. On a pleasant day, bring some old blankets outside and have a picnic, then lie back and enjoy the weather. Look at the clouds and identify shapes or images in the clouds.

5. Plant a container garden and watch it grow or let children just have fun digging in the dirt.
6. If you are lucky enough to have a climbing tree, climb up to a low branch and sit for a bit. Notice how different everything looks from this new perspective.

From BHP CNS:

- Dig up earthworms and look at them with a magnifying glass (please put them back in the earth)
- Dig up bugs and look at them (please put them back in the earth)
- Eat herbs for snack
- Sort recycling
- Plant seedlings