## Hello Parents and Families!

We hope that last week's activities brightened your day as your child explored nature! As our nation continues to self isolate, we prepared another set of home resources to bring joy to you and your child's continued learning experiences. It is important that you understand that this is to supplement your child, not to take the place of childcare or Montessori teaching while in class. The effort by the parent at this time is critical to the children's success due to the age of the children.

Check out the weekly teacher videos linked in the schedule below! This week Spanish lessons, Bollywood, Read-Aloud and Cooking Project!

This week we will be learning about the **garden and flowers - March 30th-April 3rd. There are many ways to use the information: Option 1:** Click Links - Look through the packet to select activities that the children are interested in, and print from links **Option 2:** Access out Easy Print Packets - This option saves time and allows you to print all items together quickly

- Choice Boards: Choice Board Activities, main work Part 1 and Part 2
- Additional Resources: Access for additional projects.
- https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1marv5P1d9kJAOQbeZo4hR7gZjiTi3a3T

## Option 3: Pickup pre-printed packets at the school Mondays from 9:00-10:00.

- They will be outside the front door at Brightonview to keep everyone safe. This saves time and energy spent printing at home!

We miss you all dearly and hope to be reunited very soon. In the meantime, do not hesitate to reach out to us for any assistance that we can provide. Below are the Lead Teachers contact emails, expect contact this week for more individualized learning opportunities.

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### Additional Learning Resources

In a show of camaraderie, many educational providers have chosen to give free or reduced price access to their online resources. We are including some options for you to explore, should you find yourself looking for additional ways to fill your time.

NEW: ABC Mouse, Adventure Academy and Reading IQ - All incredible resources and easy! Sign up with our school code here.

• <u>Duolingo</u>

Supplement your child's favorite part of the day--Spanish classes--with in app foreign language learning through Duolingo! Children can practice their skills while earning coins to design their avatar as a reward.

• <u>Little Twisters Yoga</u>

Get your child moving during some much needed brain breaks using free materials from Little Twisters Yoga. Little Twisters offers video learning and printable pose cards, so that you can make the choice to move away from screen time, if you'd like.

• <u>Libby</u>

Libby offers access to our local library through devices. Get unlimited access to children's print and audiobooks to keep your little one supplied with fresh reading material!

• <u>Scholastic</u>

Offering a constantly updating curriculum for all ages, Scholastic's learn at home curriculum is free. It's perfect for your preschooler, but goes through elementary ages, so you can use these materials for big siblings too!

• BrainPop

BrainPop offers a number of videos meant to teach kids vital science, social studies, and reading skills. The videos range in topic from famous historical figures to the origin of coronavirus.

Week of March 30th, 2020								
Theme: In Flowers and garden								
Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Thursday Friday			
7:30 - 9:30	Wake Up Activities	<u>Wake Up Activities</u>	<u>Wake Up Activities</u>	Wake Up Activities	Wake Up Activities			
9:00 - 10:00	<u>Teacher video</u> & Circle Sent on Brightwheel	<u>Teacher video</u> Sent on Brightwheel	<u>Teacher video</u> Sent on Brightwheel	<u>Teacher video</u> Sent on Brightwheel	<u>Teacher video</u> Sent on Brightwheel			
9:00 - 9:30	<u>Circle Time</u>	<u>Circle Time</u>	<u>Circle Time</u>	<u>Circle Time</u>	<u>Circle Time</u>			
9:30 - 11:00	<u>Choice Boards</u>	<u>Choice Boards</u>	<u>Choice Boards</u>	<u>Choice Boards</u>	<u>Choice Boards</u>			
11:00 - 11:15	Snack Time	Snack Time	Snack Time	Snack Time	Snack Time			
11:15 - 11:30	<u>Music Time</u>	<u>Music Time</u>	<u>Music Time</u>	<u>Music Time</u>	<u>Music Time</u>			
11:30 - 12:00	<u>Outdoor Play</u>	<u>Outdoor Play</u>	<u>Outdoor Play</u>	<u>Outdoor Play</u>	<u>Outdoor Play</u>			
12:00-12:30	Lunch Time	Lunch Time	Lunch Time	Lunch Time	Lunch Time			
12:30 - 2:30	Rest Time*	Rest Time	Rest Time	Rest Time	Rest Time			
2:30 - 3:15	Outdoor Play	Outdoor Play	Outdoor Play	Outdoor Play	Outdoor Play			
<mark>3:15 - 3:30</mark>	<mark>Spanish</mark> Spanish Words	<u>"Book Reading"</u> Read by Miss Shalini	<mark>Spanish</mark> Hands Song #4	<u>Bollywood</u> Lesson #2	<u>Project</u> with Miss Cintia (Brightwheel)			
3:30 - 4:30	Activity Time	<u>Activity Time</u>	<u>Activity Time</u>	<u>Activity Time</u>	Activity Time			
4:30 - 6:00	Free Play Time	Free Play Time	Free Play Time	Free Play Time	Free Play Time			

\*Rest time may look different for each child! If your child still naps, allow them to. If they do not, offer them quiet time in their rooms.

#### **Teacher videos**

Lead Teachers will send videos through the week! And a variety of other such as:

Art, Science, Cooking Lessons with Miss Cinita

Spanish Lessons with Miss Melly

Bollywood with Miss Shalini

Book Reading with Miss Shalini

Enjoy!

## <u>Wake up - before school activities</u> Eat Breakfast Brush Teeth Fix Hair Make Bed Put dirty clothes in laundry

## <u>Free Play Time</u>

The job of our children is to play! How does your child like to play? During this time, allow your child to play as they see fit. Extend their thinking by asking them open-ended questions to learn more about their thought processes.

Ask your child questions such as:

- How do you know?
- Why did you decide to do that?
- What do you think will happen next?
- Can you think of another way to do this?
- Is there anything else you could use?

Do not be afraid to engage your child with wait time! Enjoy knowing that their little brains are hard at work while you wait patiently for an answer!

## <u>Outdoor Play</u>

Did you know that the city of Redmond has more than forty-seven parks with fifty-nine miles of public trails? If you are able to, use some time this week to hit the trails!

Some of our favorites are Idylwood Beach Park, Juanita Bay Park, the Bellevue Botanical Garden, and Evans Creek Preserve. Check out the scavenger hunt in this week's folder, to keep your kiddo's brain working while you walk!

### <u>Circle Time</u>

Although we want our children's learning experiences to be as active as possible, circle time provides a structured activity in which children practice their ability to sit and learn through listening for small, age-appropriate spans of time.

Traditionally, circle time is used to reinforce routines and to practice skills best learned by repetition, such as counting.

Circle time is our favorite time of the day and one of the best ways you can bond with your child during this time. They will love bringing their school day routine to share with you at home! Feel free to follow their lead and add additional items where necessary.

Circle Time for Ages 2 - 3		Circle Time for Ages 4 - 6	
1.	Read-Aloud	1.	Read-Aloud
	a. Monday: <u>The Digger and the Flower</u>		a. Monday: <u>Flower Garden</u>
	b. Tuesday: <u>When Spring Comes</u>		b. Tuesday: <u>Pinkalicious and the Flower Fairy</u>
	c. Wednesday: <u>And then it's Spring</u>		c. Wednesday: <u>Planting a Rainbow</u>
	d. Thursday: Little Blue Truck Springtime		d. Thursday: <u>Olivia Plants a Garden</u>
	e. Friday: Reread Your Favorite!		e. Friday: Reread Your Favorite!
2.	Discuss the Weather	2.	Discuss the Weather
	a. Ask your child to check outside to answer this! Feel free to		a. Ask your child to check outside to answer this!
	keep track of their answers throughout the week.		Feel free to keep track of their answers
3.	Sing Alphabet Song with Flashcards		throughout the week.
4.	Sing <u>Days of the Week</u> Song	3.	Sing Alphabet Song with Flashcards
5.	Discuss Today's Date	4.	Sing <u>Days of the Week</u> Song
	a. Today is	5.	Discuss Today's Date
	b. Yesterday was		a. Today is
	c. Tomorrow will be		b. Yesterday was
6.	Number of the Day		c. Tomorrow will be
	a. Ask your child to select an action to celebrate the number of	6.	Count to 100 with Clapping or Stomping
	the day. Our favorite is jumping while we count!	7.	Count to 100 by 5s
		8.	Count to 100 by 10s
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# <u>Choice Boards</u>

Do your best to learn about this week's theme, "Flowers and the garden," by completing the activities in two different rows! <u>Packets printed are in order from left to right.</u>

<u>#1 Garden packet</u> This gardening packet has tracing, gardening words, sequence cards, vegetable/flower sorting and so much more!	<b>#2 <u>Garden ABC book</u></b> Read through or have your child read this fun and educational garden ABC book!	<b>#3 Garden worksheets</b> This large garden worksheet bundle includes a lot of math and literacy worksheets that have to do with the garden. *This website also has several other free printable bundles*
<b>#4 <u>Flowers</u></b> Matching activities as well as some beautiful flower coloring pages.	<b>#5 Fun Flower songs and hands on activities</b> This link provides some fun flower themed songs as well as some hands on crafts and activities!	<b>#6 Parts of a plant song</b> Fun educational video about the parts of a plant
<b>#7 <u>Read aloud of the book "Plant the Tiny</u> <u>Seed"</u> A read aloud of the story "Plant the Tiny Seed" on YouTube.</b>	#8 <u>Fun flower worksheets!</u> Tracing, graphing , matching and more fun flower theme worksheets.	<b>#9 <u>F is for flower craft and worksheet</u></b> Fun and easy handprint craft and printable to go along with it

### <u>Music Time</u>

Take out your instruments and prepare to be as silly as possible! Sing as many of the following songs as your heart desires in order to further your learning about gardening and flowers.

- 1. Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star
- 2. Rain, Rain, Go Away
- 3. The Ants Go Marching
- 4. Old McDonald
- 5. Five Little Ducks

If you don't have instruments at home, but would like to keep the beat, use these directions to create your own drums!

Materials:

• Folgers Coffee Containers

Directions:

- Hot glue the lid shut on the coffee container.
- Decorate to your heart's content.
- Enjoy!

#### <u>Activity Time</u>

The following are options you can utilize for activity time as the week progresses. Feel free to choose as many or as few as you like!

- Plant a seed indoors! You can even do this with some wet cotton balls, seeds and a sandwich baggie. Let it sit in a window sill where it can get some sunlight and have your child check it daily to see if there has been any growth. They can even record the daily results in a notebook.
- Have your child draw the lifecycle of a seed
- Get creative and have your child come up with their own type of flower!
- Go on a bug hunt outside! Grab a mason jar or jar with a lid and go out into the yard and see what kind of bugs you can find. Talk about the environment they live in and what they need to survive.
- Make a bug house! Use an old tissue box and get creative, decorate it with construction paper, stickers, glitter if you have it, markers and anything else you'd like.