Dear Families,

We hope everyone is continuing to stay healthy during this time away from school. Below, are a few suggestions of different activities you can do with your child to help them continue to learn and grow at home for this week.

**Gross Motor Activities:** You can play the “Move Like an Animal Game” with your child to get them moving. You can say things like “Crawl like a turtle”, “Hop like a bunny”, “Jump like a kangaroo”, etc. Feel free to be creative and participate along with your child to get them engaged and practicing those gross motor skills. In addition to that, you can play the game “Find and Tag It” which can be played indoors or outdoors. You will tell your child to find something and tag it. For example, “Find and tag something blue”, or “Find and tag something that starts with the letter A”. This game will help your child review many different skills and will get them moving.

**Literacy Activities:** In addition to continuing to read to your child, there a few more literacy activities you can do this week. You can go on a “Letter Treasure Hunt” with your child at home this week. If you have alphabet cards that is great, if not you can make your own using paper and markers. You will hide the alphabet letters around the house and have your child find them, say the letter, and bring it to you. This is a great way to help your child practice Letter Identification and will help reinforce skills they have acquired in school. Another literacy activity you can do is “Shaving Cream Writing”, if you have shaving cream. You can spray it onto a table or in a container that is flat and have your child use their finger to practice writing their name and letters.

**Math Activities:** During bath time, you can play “Wash and Count” by giving your child the washcloth and ask them to wash and count their body parts for example (Fingers and Toes counting 1-10). Your child can practice counting, and using one-to-one correspondence at the same time. In addition to that, if you have bath toys, you can practice sorting them or putting them into patterns depending what is available. In addition to those activities, you can go outside and count the petals on the flowers that are now blooming during this new season of Spring. This activity will also help your child practice one-to-one- correspondence.

**Art Activities:** If you have a paper brown bag and some crayons, you can make “Hand Puppets” with your child and put on a puppet show. Another art activity that you can do is to ask your child to “Draw your favorite thing to do when it’s Spring time”. You can talk to your child about how the weather is changing, plants are growing, and how animals are coming out of hibernation, etc. Encourage your child to share with you what they drew and write what they say on the picture somewhere to document it.

**Online Resources/Songs**

- StoryLine Online (Recorded Read Alouds)
- Choosy Cha Cha (Song)
- Cha Cha Slide (Song)
- Skidamarink (Song)

Hope these activities give you some ideas of how you can help your child to continue to learn at home. Stay well and be safe!

Miss Sandy - Miss Alexa - Miss Kaitlyn - Miss Huriye