Hello family, we hope you’re doing well and that you and your family are staying healthy. This is a very unusual time that can definitely make all of us feel anxious and uncertain. We wanted to reach out to let you know that, while school is out for the time being, we are thinking of you! We hope you find these activities well!

“The act of creating for young children is about the process, not the outcome. Children need to explore, take risks, make their own choices. This is the richness of creativity. This is the groundwork for future problem solvers”

Learning to write the alphabet with cotton swab painting

Teaching children to learn letters and numbers does not always require a pencil or other writing tool. You can try to write the alphabet with cotton swab. First write the letters of the alphabet on construction paper. You have the option to use upper case or lower-case letters. Prepare the painting area. Place a cookie sheet or kitchen towel on a flat surface. Let your child then trace the letters with a cotton swab. Painting with cotton swabs is a nice alternative to paint brush. This is simple to use multiple colors and simple to clean up.

Making patterns

There are simple and complex patterns such as a,b,a,b. or complex like abc,abc,abc. But there are ways to meet your child’s learning ability by simplifying or creating a more complex pattern to explore. You can make a bead necklace and start the pattern allowing your child to finish it.

Science

Time playing outdoors do not have to be disconnected from the learning we do indoors. I think children naturally notice so many things about nature, plants, sounds, textures, light, and shadow, that observing their discoveries and expanding on them is a nice way to keep the focus on child’s interest. Talk about the different trees you see outdoors and collect some sticks.