Hello Prek Families,

Attached is your child’s second prek learning packet. I have added some additional materials at the request of some parents. If it’s too much for your family, it’s ok, do what you can. We will be starting the spring unit next week. I have also included a few bunny and egg activities if you would like to do them ahead of time for this weekend. We don’t celebrate the Easter Holiday in prek, however we do like to incorporate some fun art activities. The spring unit focuses on changes that happen in the spring. Included in your packet is a spring observation checklist. On a nice day, you can take a walk and try to see if you can find everything on the list. Another focus in our spring unit is how a seed grows. I have included a cup, soil and seeds. Please plant the seeds with your child and watch them grow over the next few weeks. Your child will be responsible for watering their seeds as well as observing and documenting their growth. The clear cup allows your child to see what is happening below the soil level as well. <https://mybigworld.scholastic.com/> has a newsletter, videos and additional activities to support learning about plant growth.

Many of you have experienced troubles with ABC mouse online. I am doing my best to fix the issues as they arise however, I spend more time fixing issues than planning fun activities for your children. I am currently looking into other programs and I will let you know if we get the go ahead to switch. Happy numbers seems to be going well. Your children are making a lot of progress through the prek curriculum already! If your child was struggling with a concept online, I have included some extra practice in that area in their packet.

Earth day is April 22nd. I have also included materials to support learning around Earth day in case we do not return to school in time to recognize it at school. There is a Scholastic My Big World newsletter included in the packet, as well as videos and activities for you to access at <https://mybigworld.scholastic.com/>.

Have fun with these activities! I have included several documents to give you some ideas of things you can do at home with your child to support their social, emotional, fine motor and cognitive needs while hunkering down at home together. Remember, to access your child’s art and PE activities, you will need to check the website and click on their classroom pages. Mrs. Sorel, our school counselor also posts a daily video message for all of our students, please check it out. I have also added a link on my classroom page to a digital experience calendar. The calendar lists enrichment activities for you to explore with your child. Some examples of experiences listed are aquarium and zoo webcams, virtual field trips, music videos and story times. [https://sites.google.com/gcsny.org/digitalexperiencecalendar/home](https://sites.google.com/gcsny.org/digitalexperiencecalendar/home%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)

As always, please do not hesitate to email me if you have any questions or concerns.

Have fun!

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