



Ms. Gina's Weekly News



Dear Parents,

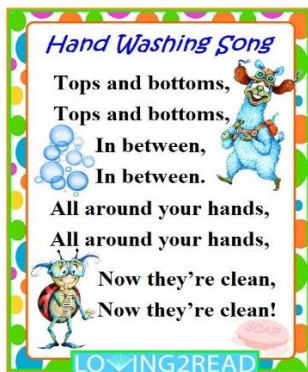
I hope this letter finds everyone well! During these uncertain times, it is important to provide our children with as much consistency as possible. I am sending you a list of suggested activities for the week, including links for you tube book read alouds and videos. These are by no means mandatory; you may choose to do as many as you like. You may reach out to me at anytime via Class Dojo (preferred) or email me at ggoldfield@stmichaelsca.org.

Have a good week!

Ms. Gina

Monday March 16, 2020

At home activity: Talk to your child about the importance of hand washing and hygiene. If you are able to, you can have your child help you to prepare a snack or a meal and make sure to have them wash their hands before and after, highlighting the importance of clean hands. Here is a copy of the song we taught the children in the beginning of the school year. I'm sure many of them would love to share it with you! As you are preparing the snack or meal, you can incorporate concepts such as counting and letter sounds. For example: "We need 3 eggs in our recipe, lets count together." Or "Now it's time to add the milk. I wonder what letter Milk tarts with? It starts with letter M, the same letter as Mommy."



Video Suggestion: Germs! - Sid the Science Kid - The Jim Henson Company
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ghLkwSIWSXw>

Book Suggestion: Germs! Germs! Germs! By Bobbi Katz
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bqozl-9WYgM>

Tuesday March 17, 2020

At Home Activity: Here are two simple activities to help children develop fine motor and strengthen their writing skills.

1. Practice writing letters in a tray of shaving cream or salt.



2. Have your child trace over letters to make rainbow names.



Book Suggestion: Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin Jr. &
John Archambault

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6VWfRci8_o4

Wednesday March 18, 2020

At Home Activity: Practice counting with your children by using small items such as cereal, pennies, or any other small loose parts. You can ask them to count out and sort the items.



Book Suggestion: *Ten Magic Butterflies* by Jennifer Bricking

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kBi_RoXKVo0

Thursday March 19, 2020

At Home Activity: Make an ABC book by having your child draw pictures to match each letter or cut out pictures from magazines and glue them on the pages.



Video Suggestion: ABC Phonics Song

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BELIZKpi1Zs&list=PLGFbLr4QyN130vcwfRkgKwls4q6wJu9E5&index=3&t=0s>

Book Suggestion: *The Mixed Up Alphabet* by Steve Metzger

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vineOu-TOL4>

Friday March 20, 2020

At Home Activity: Time to get those bodies moving! Here is a list of links to some of the children's favorite music and movement videos! Join in the fun with your kids, they will love spending this quality time with you!

1. Go Bananas! By The Learning Station

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bfhzSNW0NmE&list=PLGFbLr4QyN11ZbUdEIZZnfDo7nkTROPbE&index=10&t=0s>

2. Icky Sticky Bubble Gum by The Learning Station

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4sdj4KdpSig&list=PLGFbLr4QyN11ZbUdEIZZnfDo7nkTROPbE&index=7>

3. Dinosaur Stomp

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Imhi98dHa5w&list=PLGFbLr4QyN11ZbUdEIZZnfDo7nkTROPbE&index=16>

Book Suggestion: Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?

by Bill Martin Jr. & Eric Carle

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fPx9068bFr0>