



Happy March!

This month we will learn about various types of animals (zoo/farm/jungle), St. Patrick's Day, and Easter. We will discuss the different types of animals that live in each habitat, practice gross motor movements that replicate animal movements, create projects using a variety of materials, and compare and contrast specific animals. Towards the end of the month if time allows we will touch upon fairy tales.

Social/Emotional Curriculum

We will revisit the social thinking concept, "**The Group Plan**". The group plan concept helps young learners understand what it means to be part of a group. Being in a group is a precursor to many aspects in our social lives: having friends, working in a classroom, having a career, and being part of a community. When everyone is doing and thinking about the same thing, it is called *the group plan*. Be sure to use this terminology at home with your child to help reinforce the message. For more information on our social curriculum, check out <https://www.socialthinking.com/>.

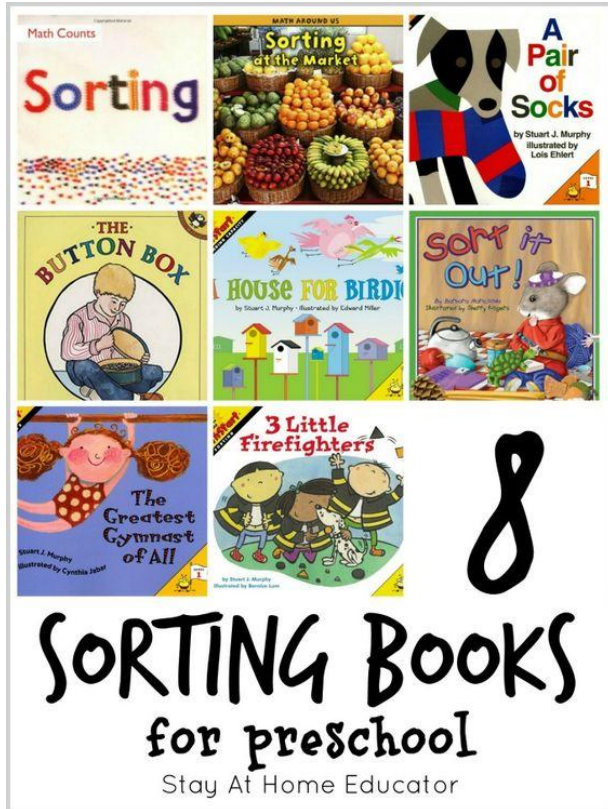
Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for Wednesday March 10 and Thursday March 11. All conferences are virtual. Your child's teacher will send you the link to the meeting after confirming a time with you. Please be sure to plan for childcare in advance as there is **no preschool** on either day.

Preschool Information Night for 2021-2022 School Year

Preschool information night for prospective families of tuition students is scheduled for May 5 at 6pm. Additional information will become available as the date draws closer. The information session will be virtual- please spread the word to any families who may be interested!

Important There will be no changes to the preschool instructional model for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year, regardless of changes happening in the upper grades. Please contact your child's teacher with any questions.



Sorting

Sorting is a beginning math skill. ... By sorting, children understand that things are alike and different as well as that they can belong and be organized into certain groups. Getting practice with sorting at an early age is important for numerical concepts and grouping numbers and sets when they're older.

Home sorting activities

1. Sort cups and dishes
2. Sort shoes
3. Sort the laundry by color or size
4. Sorting groceries according to where they go (refrigerator, pantry, or cabinet)
5. Putting away toys
6. Sort mixed veggies (who says you can't play with your food?)
7. Pictures to be placed into a photo album (by event or topic)
8. Sorting crayons by color or length.

