

# THE MONTHLY **SPROUT 1**

GROWING TREE CHILDREN'S CENTER

June 1, 2020

## Happy Father's Day to our Sprout Dads!

This month we are going to share our Coronavirus BLESSINGS:

- **Teresa:** Helping my granddaughter with her schoolwork. It was trying but worth watching her reading and math excel.
- **Elizabeth:** Taking my dog for a walk without people wanting to touch him!
- **Julie:** Saving my money!!

With a total of 4 votes, **INSECTS** were chosen as June's study. Thank you all for voting!

### Books:

- ✓ Will a Ladybug Hug?
- ✓ Never Touch a Spider
- ✓ The Very Hungry Caterpillar

### Songs:

- ✓ Baby Bumble Bee
- ✓ 5 Busy Bees
- ✓ 5 Green and Speckled Frogs

### Highlights:

**Archer:** "Big Bird Sees Red" was Archer's favorite circle time book this month. Every time Teresa read the book he would giggle and laugh until he fell over.

**Clover:** Clover loves hiding from her friends outside. She peeks around the corner to see them. Giggling all the while.

**Eleanor:** Eleanor has been a regular on our ZOOM chats this month. Her friends are always so excited to see her.

**Izzy:** Izzy spent her time scootering around the playground! The girls got some speed!

**Quinn:** Quinn's vocabulary has grown tremendously. His favorite words this month were water and yucky!



### Conscious Discipline Resources:

Conscious Discipline's official website has free resources for parents to use. They have included several booklets explaining the pandemic to young children, fun songs for handwashing, and several materials about handling strong emotions. Follow the link here for more: <https://consciousdiscipline.com/free-resources/type/covid-19/>

### Sensory Fun:

We have put a pause on our sensory table to minimize germ transmission. Instead we will use other sensory items like sensory bottles, shakers, or visual sensory toys.

### Interested in creating a sensory bin at home?

#### Consider these ideas:

- **Water table/water tub:** Fill a tub with water and sponges or scrubbers. As a bonus, add in some dirty toys and create a cleaning station!
- **Oatmeal bin:** This is a Sprout favorite in our classroom and easy to do at home. Fill a bin with oatmeal and hide some small toys in the oatmeal. Use a paint brush to dig and discover hidden toys or a small set of tongs to pick toys up and sort.
- **Cloud Dough:** Mix generic hair conditioner with cornstarch until you have created a light and fluffy texture. Add cookie cutters, rolling pin, or child scissors and this is the perfect fine motor activity! Just sit close by to make sure the dough is not taste tested.

**Extra Clothes:** Please check your child's cubby to make sure they have extra clothes.

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# Insects

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Turtle	Ladybug habitat	Butterfly Craft	Ladybug Life Cycle	Ladybug Sun Catcher
"Honey" Painting	Frog	Bee Stripes	Cork Bug	Bees & Flowers
Grouchy Ladybug	Ants in Jelly	Frog Print	Father's Day Gift	Father's Day Card
Snail Trail	Ant Puppet	Spider Coloring	Dragon Fly	Natural Brushes
Caterpillar	Bug Painting			

Notes:

<b>This Month's Books:</b>
<i>Lonely Firefly</i>
<i>The Very Busy Spider</i>
<i>Will Ladybug Hug?</i>
...and more!
<b>This Month's Songs:</b>
<i>Itsy Bitsy Spider</i>
<i>5 Busy Bees</i>
...and more!
<b>This Month's Sign:</b>
<i>Bee</i>

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