

Theme: It's All About Spring!

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Good morning everyone!

Today's post is by Teacher Linda (from Grenfell) and Teacher Stella (from MacKenzie).

The beautiful weather is returning. Take a walk outside and check out the flowers blooming and the birds chirping. Before you head out, take some chalk and make a hopscotch on the sidewalk. If you don't have chalk, painter's tape or sticks would work too. Find a good rock, throw it to each number and hop onto it! Hopscotch incorporates physical literacy (like hopping and balancing) and math (counting, number recognition). You can also swap numbers for ABCs or shapes to mix it up a little. If you are still not sure how to play hopscotch, check out this YouTube video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fZzswQaIcFM>

After your time outside hopping, come inside for a short little circle! Let's start with a frog song called "Mmm-Ahh Went the Little Green Frog" with Ms. Stella

- <https://youtu.be/9OCMnafYcBU>. You can make your own verses by adding more animals and their sounds. After, let's read a book with Ms. Linda called Five Little Chicks

- <https://youtu.be/DC3vRnTIEs>.

If you still have some time (and patience), let's try to grow a tiny tree!

1. Go outside. Find a cone. 🌲 🌲 🌲
2. Put the cone in a pot with a bit of dirt- so that most of it stands out.
3. Pour a small amount of water over it everyday, as excess water makes the cones rot.
4. After some time, a tiny tree will appear.
5. **Congratulations** - they just started oxygen production and you have a piece of forest in your own home. 🌿 🍃 🙌. You're doing something for nature, and you'll see what nature does for you.....



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