

Theme: Hooray, it's Spring!

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Good Monday morning!

Today's email is put together by Ms. Maxine (from Champlain Annex).

As the weather gets warmer, you may be spending more time outside. So, let's fly a kite! Don't have one? No problem, we can make one at home 😊

**Supplies:** a plastic bag (e.g., clean garbage bag), a ball of string, 5 plastic straws (2 for the width, 3 for the length), tape, scissors and ribbons (optional)

**Instructions:** First, tie straws together at the center with string. Cut the plastic bag into two diamond shapes and tape the ends of the plastic bag to the straw. Then, loop the string around each corner and tie them together for the bridle. Add a ribbon for a tail if you have some. Take it outside and give it a try!

If you get rained in, you can make a simple kite craft instead. Cut out a diamond shape from paper for the kite. Decorate with markers, stickers or whatever you have! Tape a string to each corner of the paper. Add a ribbon tail and voila, you have a paper kite! If you have some time and you end up making five, you can use them to sing along this song called "Five Little Kites" - <https://youtu.be/4JBE0co13AA>

If you are outside, take this Spring Scavenger Hunt checklist with you - [https://www.cbc.ca/parents/content/pdf/springscavengerhunt\\_cbcparents.pdf](https://www.cbc.ca/parents/content/pdf/springscavengerhunt_cbcparents.pdf). This scavenger hunt list requires you to find things with your different senses like sight, sound, smell and touch. Great activity for little scientists!

After all this work, I bet your child will need a snack. Continue the spring theme in the kitchen by making Flower Pretzel Bites. You need some pretzels (or crackers), nut butter and Smarties (or raisins, cheerios, anything smaller than the pretzel). Layer some nut butter onto the pretzel and decorate!



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Enjoy your day! 😊

