

Theme: Spring Fun
Date: April 29, 2021

Hello StrongStart friends,

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

Spring is one of my favourite seasons! With the temperatures slowly warming up, our world becomes more alive and colourful as the flowers begin to bloom and other signs of life returning.

Let's start with an art activity. We will be making Pompom Caterpillars today!



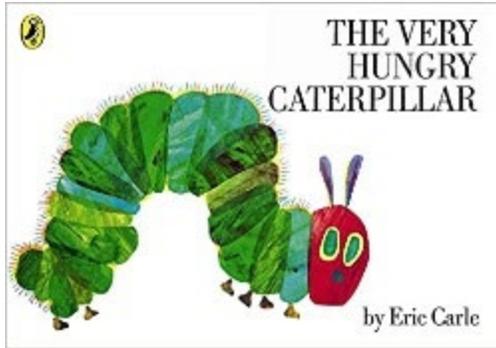
Materials:

- pompoms (large and small) - if you don't have pompoms at home, you can use buttons or simply roll up little pieces of coloured paper (see first picture)
- green construction paper
- googly eyes
- glue
- markers

Instructions:

- Cut out a leaf shape from your green construction paper.
- Glue googly eyes (or cut out eyes) onto large pompom as the head
- Glue the head onto the leaf and add the body (smaller pompoms)

After we've finished our caterpillar craft, let's take our new friend and read a book called "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" by Eric Carle with Ms. Maxine - <https://youtu.be/1ZqObZ4OZGI>



Spring is not spring without rain, especially in Vancouver! If you have some time, you can make this Paper Plate Umbrella to decorate your front windows for all to see!

Materials:

- paper plates
- glue
- blue and brown construction paper
- string
- scissors
- decorative supplies like stickers, bingo dabbers, stamp, foam stickers or paint

Instructions:

- Cut the paper plate in half.
- Cut raindrop shapes from blue paper and a cane shape (for the handle) from brown paper.
- Glue the raindrops onto the strings and attach the strings to the bottom of the umbrella. Glue the handle onto the umbrella as well.
- Decorate your umbrella!



To finish up this email, let's join Ms. Maxine for a song called "Come Under My Umbrella"
- <https://youtu.be/JuS8FpdbJD8>

*Come under my umbrella, umbrella, umbrella.
Com under my umbrella, it's starting to rain.
With thunder and lightning and thunder and lightning,
Come under my umbrella, it's starting to rain.*



Vancouver Public Library has Facebook Live Storytimes, Zoom Babytimes and Virtual Storytime on YouTube.

- Facebook: www.facebook.com/vancouverpubliclibrary
- YouTube: www.youtube.com/user/vancouverlibrary
- For schedules: www.vpl.bibliocommons.com/events