

Date: May 6, 2021

Theme: Happy Mother's Day

Hello StrongStart friends,

Today's email is put together by Teacher Evina (from Collingwood).

Do you know what special day is coming up this weekend on Sunday May 9th? **It's Mother's Day!** It is a day when you let all the mommies, aunties and grandmas know how special and loved they are. You can show your love through a hug or a kiss. You can also show them through a song! This one is called "I Really Love My Mommy" (to the tune "The More We Get Together").

*I really love my mommy, my mommy, my mommy.*

*I really love my mommy, I love her so much.*

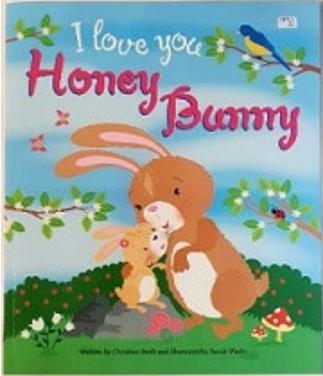
*She hugs me and kisses me, she cooks for me and plays with me.*

*I really love my mommy, I love her so much!*

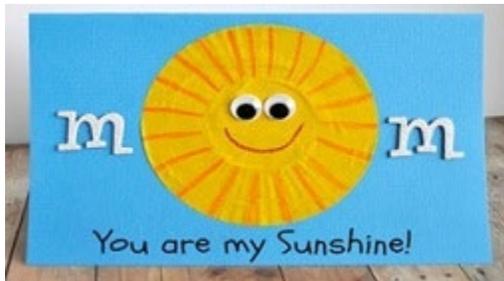
*(You can change "mommy" to grandma or auntie and sing it to them as well!)*



Now, let's enjoy a story read by Teacher Evina - <https://youtu.be/rhSsiwTllso>. It's a story about the love between a mother bunny and her baby bunny. It's called "I Love You Honey Bunny" by Christine Swift.



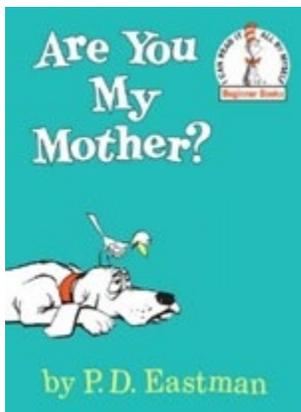
How about we make something special for mommy? Here's a simple card you can make to brighten up her day!



Materials: paper (her favourite colour), yellow circle (or cupcake liner), googly eyes (optional), markers.

Instructions: Assemble the card and write the special message. Personalize with your own drawings.

After you've received the card that you helped your child make (or hopefully, another family member helped made it and surprised you), sit together and listen to Teacher Evina read a silly book called "Are You My Mother" by P. D. Eastman - <https://youtu.be/KmT5vYtc3bo>



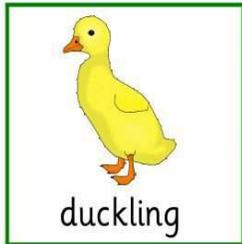
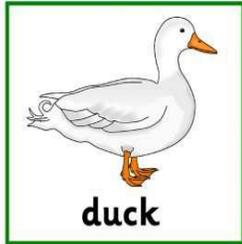
To wrap up this email, here's a matching activity for our older friends (see attached PDF). Print out the matching game to match the baby farm animals to their mothers. Talk about the different sizes and colours of the animals. Ask your child what sounds they make and what they might like to eat. For a challenge, turn the cards faced down and play a game of memory!

**Vancouver Public Library** has Facebook Live Storytimes, Babytime and Toddlertime on Zoom and Virtual Storytime on YouTube.

- Toddlertime on Zoom: <https://vpl.bibliocommons.com/events/search/q=Toddler%20Storytime%20on%20Zoom>
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/VPLKidsGroup/permalink/305851480553261/>
- YouTube: [www.youtube.com/user/vancouverlibrary](http://www.youtube.com/user/vancouverlibrary)

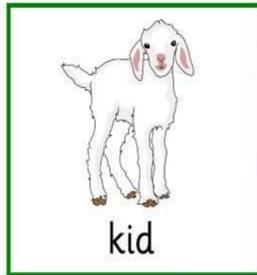
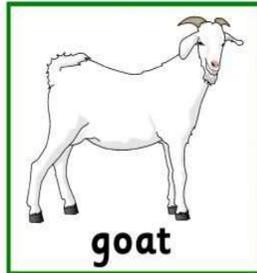


Farm Animals and Their Young Cards



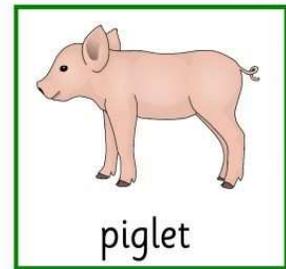
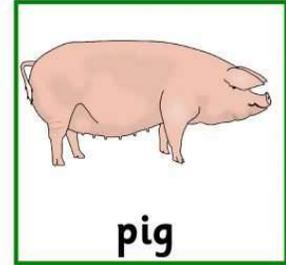
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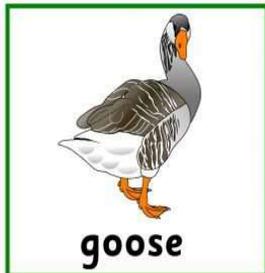
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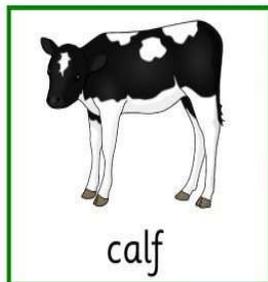
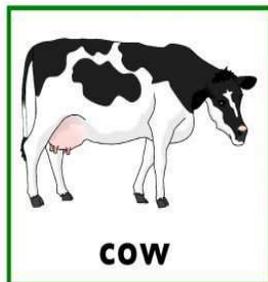
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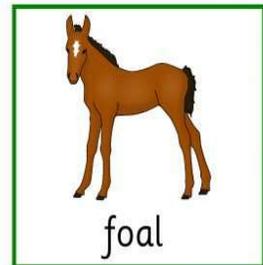
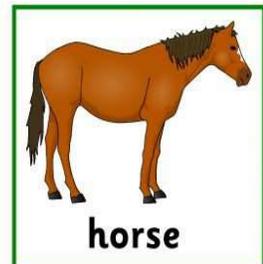
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