

## April Activities 2009

Theme Spring is Here!

In the Sensory Table is Plastic Easter Eggs

Date/MiniTheme	Songs/Fingerplays	Activities	Books
<b>Mar 30-Apr 4</b> <b>Birds are Back</b>	4 and 20 Blackbirds Cheep, Cheep I'll be a circle	Shape Bird B for BirdBath A bird in my nest! Flying or nonflying bird? Shapes, shapes, shapes	The Brave Little Bird - S. Beck The Shape of Things - D. A. Dodds
<b>6-11 (closed Fri.)</b> <b>Eggtraordinary Eggs</b>	Humpty Dumpty Oodles of Eggs	Hatch an Egg Egg patterning Humpty Dumpty Big and Small Eggs An Excellent Egg	Dora's Eggs - J. Chapman An Extraordinary Egg - L. Lionni The Great Big Especially Beautiful Easter Egg-
<b>13-18 (closed Sat.)</b> <b>Hippity Hop,</b> <b>Without Stop!</b>	5 Hopping Birds Signs of Spring	Who hops? Rhyme Time Hop Puddle Jumpers Hopping Prints	What a Funny Bunny - P. Whitehead
<b>20-25 (closed Mon.)</b> <b>Water, Water,</b> <b>everywhere</b>	Signs of Spring Spring Rain	Watercolors Frozen, Wet and Misty Follow the path Crumple art	I am Water - J. Marzollo Water - S. Canizares
<b>27-May 2</b> <b>April Showers bring...</b>	Wonderful Rain Spring Rain	Rainy Day College It's Raining numbers (match) Puffy Clouds How much rain? Rain bottles	Raindrops - S. Gay Follow a Raindrop - E. Ward Drip, Drop, Drip! - J. Cherrington

Activities promote skills in areas designated by the State Early Learning Standards, including: the Arts, Math, Language, Social Sciences, Science, and Gross or Fine Motor Skills. More activities than listed will normally be available.

Songs, finger plays and books can be used throughout the month. Books will be introduced on the week noted.

At times, not all activities, books or songs will be used.

### **Oodles of Eggs**

The bunny is hopping to my house  
How heavy his basket must be  
He has lots of eggs and I'm hoping  
An Easter egg's in there for me!  
Please have, please have  
And Easter egg in there for me, for me!  
Please have, please have  
And Easter egg in there for me!

### **Signs of Spring**

5 little ladybugs napping in a tree  
Awake to the sound of a bumblebee,  
A little bunny's feet going hop, hop, hop,  
A shower of raindrops -plop, plop, plop—  
And a happy little bird singing loud and clear.  
The ladybugs said, "Spring must be here!"

### **Wonderful Rain**

The sun is hiding,  
Clouds float by,  
And raindrops fall  
Down from the sky  
The rain makes puddles  
At my feet  
As raindrops dance  
Across the street.