

Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>

Hello, my dear Pre-K2 families. Again, I pray this letter finds you and your family healthy and well. I have previously mentioned, how myself and the TCC staff want desperately to bring you optional activities and support during this time. This letter will be distributed to your email and will also serve as the welcome letter in our class link on the TCC website. On the school website there is a link for our distance learning plan. As we move into using this new TCC website link, I just wanted to make it clear that all suggested activities, projects and videos are to be utilized to your comfort level and are all completely optional. These ideas are merely to support you during our time apart. Each link should have a description next to it, so that you may choose what content you would like to take a look at. Feel free to alter any activity or project to match the materials you have at home.

In addition to the materials that will be accessible through our class link on the TCC website, here are a few other ideas for practice.

- This is a good time to work on memorizing your address and a family phone number. Consider writing this information, along with your child's full name, on paper to post and refer to for repeated verbal practice.
- Provide materials and possibly clean, reusable materials as well to create a variety of puppets. You can create a puppet using a sock, paper bag, popsicle sticks and paper or fabric. Allow time for practice and then have fun creating a family puppet show together. Parents can put on a show for the children as well.
- Highlighter Tracing- Use a highlighter or any light-colored marker to write the alphabet A to Z with capital and lowercase letters. Allow your child to trace with a pencil, pen or dark marker. You may use this concept to trace and learn words and practice first and last names with proper punctuation as well.
- Reading to or with your child is a wonderful way to create a love for reading and learning. I highly recommend downloading the Khan Academy Kids App. This App has an extensive collection of easy readers and science videos that are all literacy based. The text will highlight itself as it reads the story to your child. You must click on the purple book icon in the top left corner of the App. There your child can listen to story after story. Starfall is also a fantastic free app for game-based learning. In addition, there is also

[flyleafpublishing.com](http://flyleafpublishing.com). This site is offering temporary free, one click access to all their easy reader books and more.

The first content material I am adding to the website is for our unit on wind. We will then move on to spring topics. Going forward there will be more videos produced by myself to add. I appreciate your patience as we all learn how to navigate this now virtual world together. I am also working on organizing an optional Zoom meeting for our class. It will be so exciting to see each other, as we all miss each other very much! Stay tuned to our class link, as new materials will be added continuously!

Blessings and Love,

Ms. Lorianne