Bursting Buds

Activity

Family and Friends: Things To Do Together

We are exploring spring and all the changes that happen to trees and plants at this time of the year. Here are some activities you and your child can do together:

- Find a twig on a tree or shrub near your house. Tie a string around it so it is easy to find again. Take a picture of the twig every few days. Watch the buds swell and burst. Can you predict which buds will become flowers and which will become leaves?
- Watch carefully for tree flowers. Many tree flowers are small and easy to miss!
- Volunteer at a spring cleanup event, or just clean up your favorite wild place.
- Visit a wooded area, and look for the earliest flowers of spring.
- Start some flower or vegetable seeds indoors for transplanting into gardens or pots.
- Play in the mud! Splash in puddles! Take a walk in the rain!





Help build your child's vocabulary by using some of these new words in your conversations:

We are reading the following books in class. Check them out from your library, and invite your child to share them with you.

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