

## PN THEME 8: MAKE IT, BUILD IT. (08<sup>th</sup> Apr. to 03<sup>rd</sup> May.)

Our eighth topic of the year is all about dreaming big and creating something even bigger.

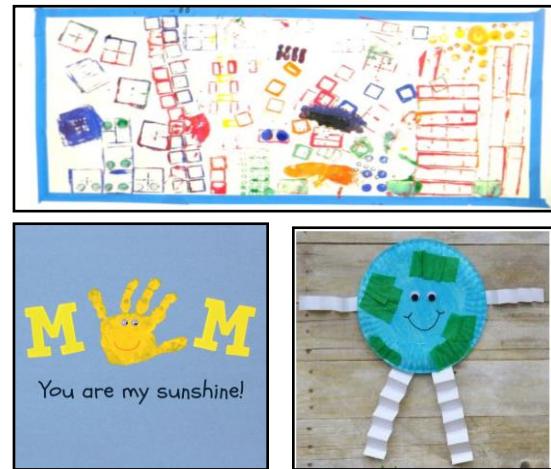
### THEME LESSONS

Some keywords and songs you can practice with your children at home:

Keywords: Hands, use, make, build, play, blocks, paint, tools, saw, hammer, nails, world, water, land, good, kind, house, mom, love, card.

Songs: 'Roly poly' and 'This is the way we build a house.'

This theme the children will learn how to use their hands to build and create wonderful and different things. They will start with fun and colourful playdough, making shapes, stamping, cutting etc. The book, 'Circle in the sky' will help spark their imaginations to build creatively using blocks. The teachers will continue the theme by exploring the different ways in which we can paint, with our hands, paint brushes, team painting etc. They will read the book, 'Piggy paints.' The children will also learn to use basic tools and pretend to build using them. The books, 'Tap, tap, bang, bang' and 'Let's build' will help them to do this. By the end of the theme the children will be using fun pretend tools in the classroom, acting like real builders, construction hats and all!



### ART LESSONS (*sample to the right may vary from actual art work*)

In their art lessons the classes will have fun exploring different ways to paint. They will dip blocks and lego into paint and make buildings, by stamping them onto the paper. They will also celebrate Earth Day by making the world out of a paper plate. Lastly, but definitely not least, the children will celebrate their amazing Moms by making them a Mother's Day card.

### MATH & READING LESSONS

Some keywords and songs you can practice with your children at home:

Keywords: Match, colour, same, shape, picture, pattern, birthday, fun, cake, balloons, hot, sing, happy.

Songs: 'Teddy bear' and 'Happy Birthday.'

The children will start this theme's math lessons by learning about matching. 'They are the same!' They will start with colours. The teacher will make a large colour wheel and the children have to pick a coloured picture and place it on the correct, matching colour, on the colour wheel. The fun will continue when the children have the opportunity to string colourful beads onto matching coloured pipe cleaners. Great for fine motor skills too. They then move onto matching shapes. The teachers have prepared many fun games to play with shapes, using some interesting materials: Ice trays, paper towel rolls and stickers. Lastly the children will have a great time finding and matching patterns. The classes will play a game where they need to find the matching patterned sock.

In their reading line lessons, the children will learn about Birthdays. They will read the book, 'I love Birthdays', sing songs, play with balloons and wear party hats.