INFANTS

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# Learning at Home

**Week of:**

April 27, 2020

## Let's Get Started!

**Hello, Infant Families!** We are celebrating Teacher Appreciation Week during the week of May 4th. After you complete the *Social-Emotional* activity, take a picture of the flower you made with your Infant. To be a part of the Show & Tell Appreciation Gallery, submit the picture to appreciation@learningcaregroup.com. Find details on the Weekly Activities section of the LAH website.

## Exploration Activity

**What's in the Box?**
1. Get a small box or container with a lid. Find an interesting toy that will fit in the box.
2. Shake the box to get your baby's attention. Are they interested in seeing what is in the box?
3. See if they can open the box. Encourage them to do it, but if not, help them figure it out.
4. Once they get the box open, get excited about what your baby found.

## Social-Emotional Development Activity

**Baby Flower**
1. Make a beautiful flower to show your infant's teachers how much you miss them! Get a piece of paper and some paint.
2. Draw a circle in the middle of the piece of paper.
2. Put a little bit of paint on a paper plate and help your child to place their hands flat in the paint.
3. Then guide your child to make handprints around the circle. These hand prints are the petals of the flower. Place a picture of your baby in the circle.
4. Send a picture of the flower and your baby for their teacher to see.

## Movement Activity

**Colorful Dancing**
1. Gather some colorful scarves, tissue paper, or other fabric that is easy to hold on to.
2. Put on some upbeat music. Give your baby a piece (or a couple of pieces) of the fabric.
3. With the music on, dance while moving the fabric around. Encourage your baby to do the same. Do they wiggle and dance? Do they track the fabric as it moves?

This activity can be done inside or outside, with supervision.

## Language & Communication Activity

**Puppet Play**
1. Find a puppet. If you don't have one, a stuffed animal will work well.
2. Sit on the floor with your baby. Show your baby the puppet. If it is an animal, make the noise it makes. If it is a person, give it a voice and name.
3. Talk to your baby through the puppet. Does your baby laugh? Does your baby "talk" back? If they seem interested, have the puppet read a story to them.

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