



March 5, 2021

A Message From Kathy:

On March 17th most of us, Irish or not, wear our green and watch with glee as leprechauns wreak havoc in our homes and classrooms. In addition to dressing in green, one fun tradition observed in many households is the making of Leprechaun Traps. Leprechaun trap building is an excellent opportunity to introduce the concept of "Think, Design, Build" to your budding engineers and to set up a Design Center in your home.

A Design Center is a work space that children can use for making, learning, exploring and sharing that uses high-tech-to-no-tech tools. A more high-tech Design Center may include equipment like 3D Printers and sewing machines. However, Design Centers don't need to include these type of tools. If you have cardboard, wood scraps and art supplies, you're in business.

Work with your children to **THINK** about their design first and conceptualize how their trap will catch the Leprechaun. Next, have them draw out their **DESIGN** on a piece of paper, illustrating as detailed as possible how it will look and work. Lastly, gather up all of the supplies you will need to execute the design and **BUILD** away!

Design Centers are being integrated into school curriculums (...look for exciting news about our planned Design Center with the opening of our new school space, coming soon) libraries, and homes everywhere. They are helping children prepare to master critical 21st century skills by providing hands on learning, developing critical thinking, problem solving and boosting self-confidence.

Leprechauns- Watch Out!

Blessings, Kathy | 949-698-3350 kathy@activ8learning.com



Suggested Supplies:

- Sketch Book
- Art Supplies: Pencils, Markers, Glue, Paint, Paper, Popsicle Sticks
- Tape: Duct, Scotch, Masking
- Scissors & Rulers
- Cardboard, Bubble Wrap
- Clothes Pins, Paper Clips, Rubber Bands, String
- Legos
- Empty Plastic Bottles
- Glue Gun

Short on space? No problem! Simply get a large plastic storage bin to create a "To-Go" Design Center.

P.S. "To-Go" Design Centers make great birthday presents!





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Join us for a Special Event!

Tuesday, March 23rd, 8:45-9:45am | Randolph Center

View renderings of our New School Space including Classrooms, Design Center, Playground and Reading Room. Learn about exciting curriculum initiatives and meet Jessica Grace aka, "Miss Jess" our social skills trainer/ practitioner who is joining our Academy team next year. In the interim, check out Jessica's website socialandkind.com

You don't want to miss this exciting coffee chat!

Please RSVP to Ellen at the Front Desk - info@activ8learning.com | 949-251-0605



First Grade Story Adventure had us listening, predicting and recalling story facts. Then we made our own scribble stones to spread kindness!

Activ8 Academy is Open for Enrollment for the 2021-2022 School Year!

Current families will continue to receive priority registration. New family registration opened on March 1st.



Mark Your Calendars:

- March 12th- Progress Reports
- March 23rd Check out our new school
- April 12-16th: Spring Break- No School
- May 31st: Memorial Day- No School
- June 4th: End of year conferences
- June 11th: Last Day of School