Week 2: Wearing Masks

Each week during summer learning, students will target skills in order to prepare for the possibility of entering the building in the Fall. Each week will be focused on a specific skill or aspect of reopening that we feel is essential for our students. We need your support in discussing and practicing these skills/concepts at home to make everyone feel safe and prepared. Thank you for all your help in advance!

1) WHAT WILL YOUR CHILD LEARN THIS WEEK?
- The students will read a social story with their teachers that covered the following information:
  - **PERSON WHO/DOING WHAT:** Right now, doctors say it is a good idea for everyone to wear a mask.
  - **REASON WHY:** Masks help to keep you, your family, your friends and other people safe and healthy. Masks help to protect us from getting sick.
  - **PLACE WHERE:** Your parents might ask you to wear a mask when you go outside of your house or apartment. They want to keep you safe. People are told to wear masks on subways, sidewalks and any time you are near a person who does not live with you.
  - The children learned about various kinds of face masks such as cloth masks and shields and saw photographs
  - **EXPLAIN HOW:** The children will get to see pictures of their teachers wearing masks correctly as well as instructions on how to wear a mask so that it covers your nose and mouth
  - The children will be offered things they can practice or try as they relate to face masks and will get opportunities to do this during their **Week 2 Assignment**
  - Mr. T provided students with an educational video that modeled how to wear your mask and where he wears his mask in a fun and engaging format!

2) WHAT CAN YOU DO AT HOME?
- Review the material outlined above with your child
- Support your child in completing the **Week 2 Challenge on SeeSaw.** See how many boxes they can complete 😊
- While we don’t have enough details at this point about WHEN children will be asked to wear masks in school, we do know that this will be a part of our programming and ask for your support in preparing our students!

Here are some things you can try:
- Teach your stuffed animals or dolls about wearing masks.
- Wear your mask on Zoom!
- Decorate your mask!
- Have show and tell with your masks on Zoom.