



BRAIN BUILDING IN PROGRESS

Resources for Early Learning

Family Connection Letter

Unit 4: Making Music Week 1: Tap, Shake & Pluck

Date _____

Dear Families,

This week children will learn about the sounds people make through music.

We will watch *Between the Lions* "Violet's Music," about a girl who loves to play music all day long. We will also read *Abiyoyo* by Pete Seeger, about a boy and his father who use music and a magic wand to save their town from a giant. This week's focus will be the letter "Mm," the letter sound /m/, and the word *music*.

You and your child can explore music at home, too.

- Sing and dance together! Sing a favorite song or make up a silly song.
- Speak into a pretend microphone (place a clenched fist up to your mouth) and make up songs with words that begin with /m/. Emphasize the /m/ sound. For example, you might sing, *Have you ever seen a m-m-m-monster, a m-m-m-monster, a m-m-m-monster? Have you ever seen a m-m-m-monster, play a m-m-m-musical instrument with its m-m-m-mouth?*
- Have your child repeat each word and then make up a verse for you to repeat.

Thank you,
