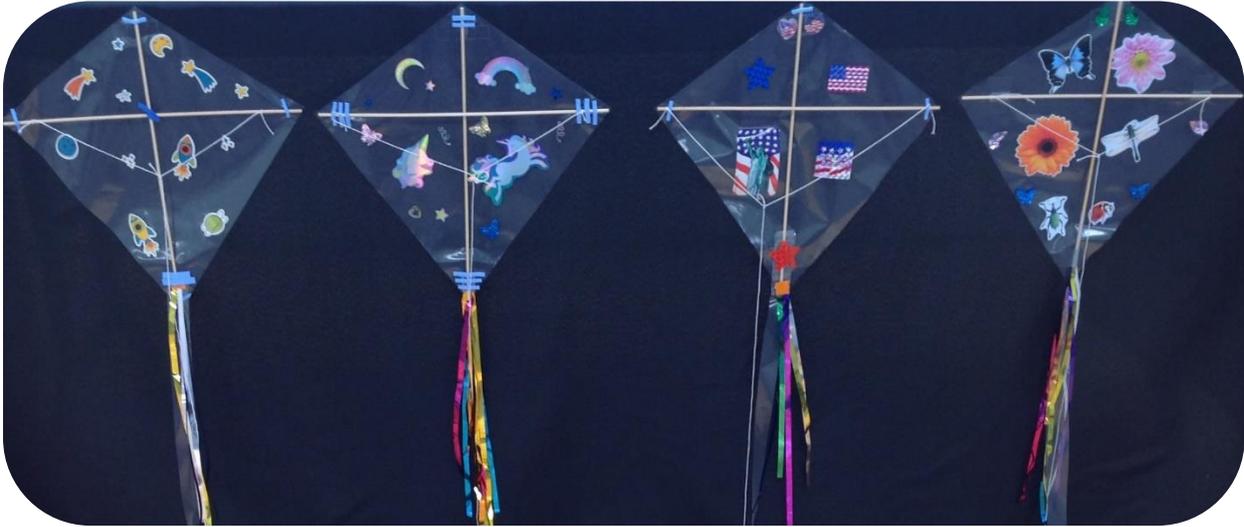




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Examples of finished kites above

Kite Safety

Spring is perfect for kite flying. Flying is great fun, but it can, at best, become a nuisance to the unconverted, so please be considerate of others and remember that buzzing over peoples' heads may look like fun but can be extremely dangerous. So if you want to show off your skills, do not do it at the expense of others. Play hard, but play safe - nothing stops the fun faster than an injury!

Keep these common safety precautions in mind:

- Do not fly near people, especially young children.
- Do not fly close to roads. Landing a kite in a road could cause a serious accident.
- Keep clear of electric power lines, electrical signs, and TV and radio aerials.
- Do not fly near airports.
- Do not fly your kite in winds stronger than recommended.
- Never fly in stormy weather. Wet lines are conductive!
- Do not underestimate the power of the wind. Always wear gloves when flying a hard-pulling kite. Although it's unusual for dogs to attack kites while still in the air, always make sure there are no dogs around when you land your kite. They are known to run away when a kite lands, but in some instances, they have been known to grab the kite and run away with it.
- Do not let a young child fly a kite that needs more than a 30-pound flying line. Always accompany them on their first flights.
- Watch out for rocks and holes while running with your kite.
- Abandon a kite before risking your life to rescue it from trees or telephone poles. In the long run, you will be better off buying a new kite.