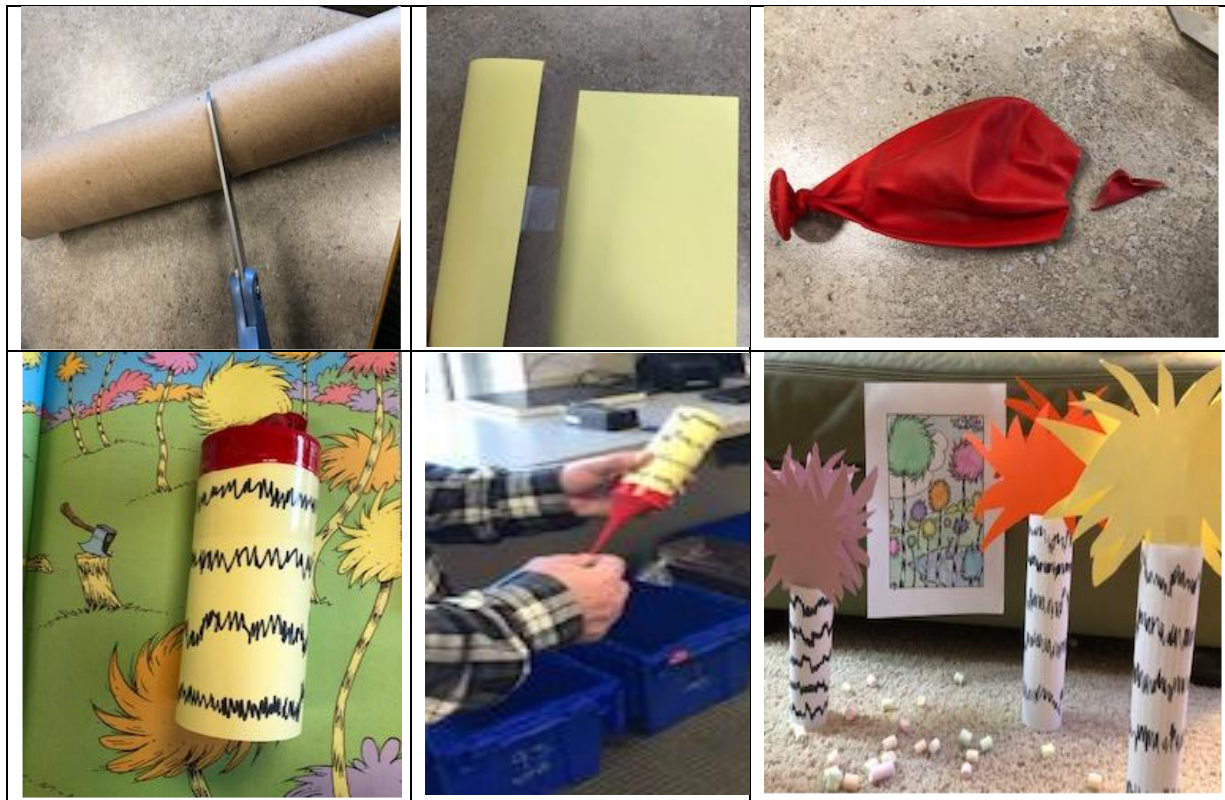


This is Ms. Susan from the Shorewood Public Library. Have you ever heard of a Truffula tree or seed? We are going to celebrate Dr. Seuss Day by creating a Truffula seed launcher. The more seeds that you launch, the more trees that will grow, I just have a hunch, they will grow, if you sow. So let's have some fun and bring out the sun, with laughter and joy with this Dr. Seuss birthday toy.



1-If you do not have a toilet paper tube, you can cut a paper towel tube in half. To make it easier, stab a hole in the middle with a sharp pencil and stick the end of the scissors in this hole. With one half or the smaller tube, wrap a piece of paper around the outside and tape it down the long side. You can color it in festive Dr. Seuss designs. This one is a Truffula tree design. *You do need a **balloon**. Tie a knot on the end. Now cut out a small chunk on the opposite end. Pull the balloon over the edge of one side of the decorated tube. Tape this down with electrical tape, duct tape or shipping tape for strength. That is all there is to create your seed launcher.

2-Put some marshmallows or cotton balls inside the tube, pull back on the knotted end of the balloon and let it go while holding the tube securely with the other hand. Send those seeds all around, so Truffula trees will abound. Use some more tubes to make a field of trees and see if you can launch your seeds without knocking down any precious trees. Score points for the number of seeds you launch without hitting the trees.

The more that you play, the happier you'll stay!

Miss Susan

Plant a seed, and read, read, read. Happy Birthday to Dr. Seuss!

