



Nursery – Home Learning

Please continue to use tapestry to let us know what you are up to.

Literacy

- Listen to stories (audio books as well as actual books and verbal stories)
- Make up your own stories. Who are the main characters and where is the story set? Talk about what happens at the beginning, middle and end of the story.
- Review Phase 2 sounds learnt at school (s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c and k)
- Play I spy to practise hearing initial sounds in words
- Make up funny rhyming songs
- Make a card for someone and then post it to them
- Watch videos on <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/alphablocks>
- Phonics games and resources <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

Maths

- Play games like hopscotch or Snakes and Ladders
- Add numbers to wooden pegs and help your child to order them
- Measure ingredients to cook/ help make dinner
- Sing number songs, such as 5 currant buns or 10 green bottles
- Sort toys by colour, shape or size
- Sort coins and add and take away 1p's
- Practise counting using 1-1 correspondence
- Find different ways of making 5, then 10
- Play guessing games, e.g. I'm thinking of a number, I-spy
- Build towers from blocks – how many blocks did you use? Can you use the same blocks to build a different shaped tower?
- Go on a shape hunt
- Play games <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>
- Watch videos on <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks>

Communication and Language

- Storytelling with homemade puppets – use old socks, lolly stick and straws
- Singing nursery rhymes and action songs such as Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes
- Play guessing games – such as think of an animal and model giving clues to help your child guess the animal
- Play board games
- Phone an elderly relative or neighbour

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Share stories – retell and act them out together
- Cook together
- Give your children responsibility to help with household chores



- Look at Cosmic Kids Yoga on YouTube and join in together
- Play board games
- Make different facial expressions in the mirror and talk about how your face can show other people how you're feeling
- Read The Huge Bag of Worries and discuss any worries you have

Physical Development

- Water play in the bath – scooping, pouring and measuring
- Junk modelling
- Make playdough together <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jv73CEzY1jg> This is how!
- Use playdough to keep fingers active and strong
- Thread beads or make patterns with Hama beads
- Musical movement games – like musical statues
- Make sensory tray with shaving foam, soap, jelly etc
- Paint with water, e.g. a fence in the garden or cardboard box inside
- Blow bubbles
- Phonics and dancing with Boom Shake the Alphabet
https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=boom+shale+the+alphabet
- Building dens and tunnels with blankets and under the kitchen table
- Get outside where possible – walk, run, play, cycle, scoot etc.
- Enjoy dancing & singing <https://www.gonoodle.com/>
- Yoga and relaxation <https://www.cosmickids.com/>

Understanding the World

- Read information books on minibeasts
- Go on a minibeast hunt
- Use Nature Detectives for lots of exciting activities to do at home:
<https://naturedetectives.woodlandtrust.org.uk/naturedetectives/>
- Look at science experiments for Early Years <https://www.firstdiscoverers.co.uk/early-years-science-activities-eyfs/>
- Observe the weather each day and make a weather chart
- Make a family tree – who is in your family?
- Plant seeds and care for your plants as they grow. Take photos and keep a diary
- Freeze small toys in ice and work out how to get them out of the ice
- Make a rainbow of skittles sweets around the edge of a small plate – add warm water and watch a rainbow appear.
- Look for different sorts of ICT in your home e.g., microwave, remote control, phone etc.
- Keep a tally of which birds you can see in your garden or from your window

Expressive Art and Design

- Dance to different kinds of music – use scarves or other props
- Sing familiar songs and make up your own words to nursery rhyme tunes
- Make shakers with pasta or rice in pots



- Make music with saucepans
- Make props for your favourite story and act it out together
- Experiment with mixing colours

Other free resources

Home Learning Pack from the following website:

- <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/search?term=school+closure> (Twinkl)
- <https://classroomsecrets.co.uk/free-home-learning-packs/> (Classroom Secret)
- <https://www.tes.com/teaching-resources> (TES)