



Nursery Home learning page



I am missing seeing all of you. I am enjoying you sharing your learning with me on the learning books, its lovely to see all your hard work!

Week beginning: 1st February 2021

Early Years Daily Routine and Activities

Here is a more structured routine while your child is at home. Bear in mind that this is just suggested - the key to success is being flexible and finding a routine that works for you. REMEMBER, play is still the most valuable thing you can do with your child and your child will constantly be learning through play.

Maths



On Friday we are having a maths day in the nursery we are reading the story of 'How much does a ladybird weigh' You can watch it here:-

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bhEtwYh1Hw8>

In the story the animals compare how heavy they are, we are going to be looking at weight in the nursery. If you have some scales can you have a go at weighing different objects. You could collect a few to weigh, then choose 2 of them and make a prediction (a guess) as to which one you think will be the heaviest. Then weigh them - the bigger the number the heavier the object. Were you right with your guess?

Top marks is a really good website to help with counting and number recognition. Have a go at completing the ladybird matching game. You have to count the spots on the ladybirds backs and match them to the numbers by the leaf. You can make it easier if you want and match numbers 0-5.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/ladybird-spots>

Can you practice writing the numbers 0 - 5. Ask an adult to write them quite big on a piece of paper first and then you can have a go at tracing over the top of them. Do this a few times and then have a go at writing them on your own. Don't forget to send me pictures of you doing this on the learning journey so I can add them to your book.

Remember to practice counting on a daily basis - you may want to count the stairs in your house or count how many cars you see when you go for a walk. See if you can help your adult when they are setting the table for tea, how many knives and forks do you need? Can you spot any numbers around your house? Does your door have a number on it? Can you spot any numbers when you go for a walk?

Literacy



In school we are looking at the story The Three Billy Goats Gruff - you can watch it here:- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3QzT1sq6kCY>

Talk about the story - can you remember which billy goats gruff was the first one to cross the bridge? What did the troll say when the goats were going over his bridge? Can you say it in a really cross voice?

Collect 3 teddies to be your goats and one to be a troll and have a go at acting out the story. Can you use your voice in different ways to sound like a big goat, a medium goat and a baby goat? Also don't forget your cross troll voice!

Writing - In the nursery we are beginning to look at how we form our letters, this week we are focusing on the letters , i, n ,m and d. We learn to write in cursive. To begin with this can seem really tricky but with lots of practice it gets easier and helps us when we have to learn to join our letters when we get older.

Below is an example of how we write the letters, each letter starts on the line.



To begin with we encourage the children to trace over the letters, keeping them quite large and then have a go at writing them on their own. It does take practice so don't panic if it doesn't look like the letter straight away!

Letters - We have been learning lots of sounds before Christmas, can you look at these sounds e, u and r tell your adult what they are and show them the actions for the sounds. It is okay if you have forgotten them, ask your adult to remind you and then practice recognising them each day. You can make your own flashcards if you want and then these can be added to each week as we cover more letters.

Here's the link for the actions if you need them:-

<https://www.jollylearning.co.uk/resource-bank/jolly-phonics-actions/>

Don't forget to keep practicing the sounds from the previous weeks. In the nursery we try to do these everyday.

In our phonics we are still looking at initial sounds in words - can you continue to practice this on phonics play and play super smoothie, only add the words that start with the same sounds. Phonics play is free at the moment, if you follow the link below:-

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources/phase/1>

Username: Jan21

Password: home

Then click on resources and phase 1 - you can then scroll down to the game 'Super Smoothie'

Eye spy is also a brilliant game to play to encourage children to hear the initial sounds in words (the sound that the words starts with)

Below are some video clips helping to give guidance on how we say the sounds, keeping the sounds pure. Below is the link for the first letter -s. You can then work through the other letters as and when you want to

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nlqMDXWEtXs&list=PLuGr6z2H2KNGLy2Tckcy8Kk8u10mXgcmi&index=84>

P.E

Each day in the nursery we are starting off warming our bodies up with Andy's Wild Workouts. Have a look at the different places you can explore whilst warming up your bodies.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/p06tmmvz/andys-wild-workouts>

Jump start Jonny is a brilliant P.E programme online - here is the link:-

<https://www.jumpstartjonny.co.uk>

We are also having a go at yoga in nursery, 'Cosmic yoga' is a brilliant video, this week we are having a go at the 'Squish the Fish' you can have a go here:-

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LhYtcadR9nw>

Knowledge and Understanding of the World/ Expressive arts and design

The goats in our story crossed over a bridge, using lego or duplo (if you have any) can you build a bridge for the goats to cross? Is there any other materials you could use to build a bridge - maybe you have some cardboard that would be strong enough to use.

The troll in the story was not very nice looking, could you draw your own troll with a cross face? You can decorate him with crayons, felt tips, paint, collage anything that you have will be great.



This week we are thinking about improving our working memory - you can do this by playing the memory game. This is a great game to play with your grown ups and any brothers and sisters you may have. Choose 5 items to put on a tray, name each item then cover them up with a t-towel. Ask a grown up to take one item away whilst you are not looking. Take the t-towel off the tray - can you see which item is missing? If you want to make this game trickier you can take away 2 items or add more items onto the tray.