

Half Term Holiday Homework

Here are some activities you can do over the holiday. We hope you have fun! Remember to go outside and get plenty of fresh air and exercise. But also remember it is important to get plenty of rest!

We look forward to seeing you back on June 6th.

The Nursery Team

RR Article: 31 - Every child has the right to relax, play and join in a wide range of cultural activities.

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Get Creative - Make transient art pictures using different types of fruit and vegetables you have at home.

Storytelling - use toys and other props to tell your favourite stories or make up your own.

Junk Modelling - If you have spare boxes around the house why not use them to do some junk modelling. You can make cars, buildings, characters or anything else you can imagine.

Grow a plant at home - plant a seed and nurture it and watch it grow. Keep a diary of drawings at each stage of its development.

Bake a cake or cook a recipe - cooking and baking are great ways to get your child doing some maths without them even realising! There are lots of opportunities to measure, count, share and much more! Also, you get to enjoy something delicious once you are done!

Have a family arts and crafts day - spend time drawing, making and creating together as a family. You can use a number of things from around your home including fabric, old clothes, string and paint to make a collage or piece of art. If you haven't got paint you can use beetroot, turmeric and even spinach leaves to make your own.

Learn a new game or make your own - you can teach your child a popular playground game like Duck, Duck, Goose or you can teach them a game you played when you were little.

Sensory play is always lots of fun and easy to do with items around the home. Here are some things you can use;

- Cornflour
- Washing up liquid to make foam and bubbles
- Hair gel
- Bubble wrap
- Freeze toys in blocks of ice
- oats, rice and dried pasta or lentils.

Phonics

We have learnt the following sounds this term - m a s d t p i n g o c k u b f e j v y

You can support your child by regularly asking them to identify the sounds in different texts. (Books, signs, posters, on TV etc)

You can challenge them by asking them to identify the initial sounds in words e.g. what sound does ball begin with - 'b'

Play this listening game - sit in silence and listen to all the different sounds you can hear. Model saying to your child 'I can hear....'. Allow them to have a turn to share what they can hear. It might take a few tries before they will be able to name what they hear.

Play a version of I-spy - "I spy with my little eye, something that begins with the sound..."

Sing some nursery rhymes with your child. You can make props and puppets together to make this even more engaging for your little one.

Becoming more independent

Give your children lots of opportunities to do everyday tasks on their own. This could be;

- 1. Getting dressed independently (focus on putting on and taking off coats and shoes).
- 2. Using the toilet (including cleaning themselves) independently.
- 3. Feeding themselves
- 4. Writing their own name
- 5. Collecting plates and cutlery for dinnertime
- 6. Tidying up their toys.
- 7. Helping parents and carers carry out simple tasks in the kitchen.

