

# St Ninian's Nursery



## HOME LEARNING ADVICE

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Over the coming weeks we wish to support you with ideas on how you can support your child's continued learning at home.

In this bulletin our Nursery Team have produced some suggestions on how to keep learning going at home.

### **THE IMPORTANCE OF PLAY**

Play is how our youngest children's learning and development. It will be very important that time is made within a day for quality play experiences.

Playing alongside your child at times during the day is going to have the maximum impact. This will provide them with the security and comfort that they will require over the coming weeks, but it will also help you have fun together.

Play enables children to develop a range of skills including communication, problem solving, imagination, co-operation etc.

It can take place indoors or outdoors.

The following web links may provide further information and practical ideas.

<https://www.playscotland.org/parents-families/>

<https://education.gov.scot/parentzone/learning-at-home/learning-through-play/>

### **ONLINE RESOURCES**

Suggested resources and links have been included below to support learning and development.

As with any online resource, parental guidance and supervision is recommended to ensure children are accessing these in a safe and appropriate manner.

# **Cave Baby**

## **by Julia Donaldson and Emily Gravett**

**With your child watch and listen to the following story being read aloud on Youtube.**

<https://youtu.be/-3Md0E8uUKQ>

**Here are some follow suggestions to use with this story.**

### **Literacy**

- Can you hear the repeated phrase throughout the story? Join in with it.
- Imagine you went on an adventure with a woolly mammoth, what do you think would happen?
- What part of the story did you like/dislike?
- There is a blank wall in the Cave Baby's cave. Can you help to decorate it?
- Can you find any information on sabre-tooth tigers, hyena, hare, mammoth and bears? Can you share them with us?

### **Maths/Numeracy**

- How many different animals did cave baby see?
- Can you order the size of the animals?
- What patterns can you see on the animals? Can you make your own animal pattern?
- What patterns can you find in your house or outside in the garden?

### **Health and Wellbeing**

- How did cave baby feel at different parts of the story? How did he show it? How would you feel seeing all these animals?
- How do you care for a baby?
- Who looks after you....at home.....at nursery?
- Can you create your own yoga pose for a sabre-tooth tiger, hyena, hare, mammoth and a bear?
- Can you crawl like a tiger, laugh like a hyena, leap like a hare, stomp like a mammoth and sleep like a bear?

## **RHYME TIME**

Five Woolly Mammoths  
Five woolly mammoths  
Walking through the snow,  
Looking for some food  
But nothing seem to grow.  
The trudging made them tired  
One began to snore,  
He just get napping,  
So then there were four!

Four woolly mammoths  
On a mountain cliff,  
One had a snotty nose  
But he no handkerchief!  
That same woolly mammoth  
Troubled by his knees,  
An avalanche came down  
And then there were three!

Three woolly mammoths  
Looking for a snack  
They were playing hockey  
When the ice began to crack!

They zigged and they zagged  
They didn't want to fall  
But one fell right in  
And then there were two!

Two woolly mammoths  
Found some food to eat,  
It was cold, it was soggy  
It was very bittersweet.  
One mammoth ate too fast  
And made his body stink,  
The other took a whiff  
And now he is extinct!

One woolly mammoth  
Walking through the snow,  
Feelin' pretty lonely  
With none that he knows,  
We started out with five  
And four of them are gone,  
Found a new friend  
In a mastadon

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