**Home Learning Challenges for Unplanned School Closures**

**General Guidance for Home Learning**

During unplanned school closures, simple activities at home can have a big impact on learning. Encouraging your child to read a book, practice their spellings, or write a short story can help maintain important skills. Math practice, such as counting, solving problems, or exploring patterns, is equally valuable. Remember, learning doesn’t have to be complicated—everyday tasks like cooking, tidying, or even playing games can provide meaningful opportunities to practice and apply what they know. School logins for platforms such as Sumdog, Spelling Shed, and Maths Shed can also offer engaging ways to reinforce core skills in literacy and numeracy. Please see learning logs for login details.

**Primary 1 - Home Learning Grid**

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| **Literacy** | Find objects in your home that start with each letter of the alphabet. | Tell a story about a day in the life of your favourite toy. | Create a rhyme or song about your favourite animal |
| **Numeracy & Maths** | Count how many steps it takes to get from one room to another. | Group objects by colour, shape, or size and explain your groups. | Look for patterns in your home (e.g., stripes on a rug, shapes on wallpaper). |
| **Health & Wellbeing** | Pretend to be your favourite animal and move like it for 5 minutes. | Practice tying your shoelaces or zipping up your jacket. | Help set the table for a meal and count the plates and utensils. |
| **Expressive Arts** | Draw a picture of your family doing something fun. | Make up a dance to your favourite song. | Create a puppet using socks and act out a short play. |
| **Science** | Look outside and name 3 different things you can see (e.g., tree, bird, car). | Find something that is hard, soft, rough, or smooth in your house. | Talk about the weather and draw what it looks like outside. |

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| **Challenge Icons - Free SVG & PNG ...P1 Challenge Zone**  **Focus areas**: Literacy, Art, Spatial Awareness | Create a treasure map for your favourite toy. Draw the map and label key places. Hide the toy and ask someone to find it using your map. |

***Note to Parents***

*We understand that every family has different routines, please remember these are ideas to inspire learning at home. Little and often works well, and any practice—no matter how small—can make a big difference. Feel free to pick activities that suit your child’s interests and enjoy the process together!*