



We hope you and all your families are all well. We would like to share some more useful websites and fun ideas for you to try at home. I hope that this will continue to help keep your children active over this time of uncertainty. Can I just remind parents that we would love to see photos etc of children during this time and feedback about our YouTube channel please? All photos and videos can be emailed to gw10mccallumtracey2@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk. Do not be worried about covering the curriculum during this time of closure as much of what we do is from real life experiences, learning through play within your home. Not all activities will suit the needs of every child therefore; they can be adapted to suit. Please remember we are here to help. So firstly:

Love Pedagogy



Change and uncertainty can be stressful and even scary. At the moment many of us (children and adults) are experiencing heavy and uncomfortable feelings that for some, are very unfamiliar. In moments of frustration, fuelled with tension, we need to remember to find our inner calm. My favourite mantra is:

- > Pause
- > Breathe
- > Connect

Pause - Stop! If it helps count to 5 or 10.

Breathe - Take a few long, slow, deep breaths.

Connect - Open your heart, listen, reflect, validate, empathise and gain understanding. When your children are fighting with each other - pause, breathe, connect.

When your partner wasn't able to get the essentials from the supermarket - pause, breathe, connect.

When you're feeling overwhelmed by the invisible load you're carrying - pause, breathe, connect (with yourself).

Whenever you need to, take a moment to Pause, Breathe and Connect; with yourself and others.

YOUR

MATTER

	INSTEAD OF	TRY	
7	Be quiet.	Can you use a softer voice?	
Ww.	What a mess!	It looks like you had fun! How can we clean up?	
HELP	Do you need help?	I'm here to help if you need me.	
	I explained how to do this yesterday.	Maybe I can show you another way.	
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	Stop crying.	It's okay to cry.	
?	Do you have any questions?	What questions do you have?	
S. S	You're OK.	How are you feeling?	
	It's not that hard.	You can do hard things.	
177/#	We don't talk like that.	Please use kind words. WE ARE TEACHER	

Let us Keep Fit:



KALeisure: Which Facebook Live sessions have you been enjoying the most?

We offer a range of sessions from yoga and relaxation to high energy HIIT with a variety in-between!

Below is your timetable for the week ahead - let's make this an active week! #StayHomeStayActive #ElevateTheEveryday

Please make sure you're ready to exercise and check out our Health Commitment Statement at https://bit.ly/2V5tEXd



SPIN North Ayrshire SLT

Here is a simple language activity from our friends at Worcester Speech and Language Therapy that will get you talking with your child when out and about on your daily walk. $\$ Use the Daily Walk challenge which is a simple scavenger hunt activity to give your walks a little bit of a language focus. When you find something on the list you can have a conversation about it.

- **?** Where you found it
- ? What it is doing
- ? What it looks like
- **?** How many you see.

Remember try to balance making comments about what you see with asking questions and watch carefully for what your child is interested in (it might be different from what you think!)

Later that day when your wee one is talking to family or friends on the phone they will have lots to tell them.

Print off the sheet if you can and give your child a copy to take with them as you are walking, but, if this isn't possible, just keep the picture on your phone and look at it together

Exploring the world outdoors:







Wilderness Outdoor Education

Outdoor Activity #63 - Flower Hearts
This is a nice outdoor nature
craft for you to have a go at this
weekend. To make a flower heart you'll
need to cut out a heart in thick
cardboard, push holes into the cardboard
with a biro, finally push the stems of
flowers through the holes. Once finished
you can hang in a tree or window.
For an educational twist you could look
at percentages of flowers, symmetry,
identification and investigation or you
could try other shapes apart from hearts.

Outdoor Activity #61 - Magic Carpet

If you have or work with kids then this is something you have to try out. Essentially it's a story telling/imagination activity. There is a few ways of doing this..

1. Ask the child to draw out a rectangle, then ask them to decorate it like a magic carpet. Once complete ask them to sit on the carpet and close their eyes, then ask them to imagine taking off and going on adventure. Ask them to say what they can see, smell and hear, once finished

they could write it down and turn it into a story.

- 2. Same as the first one, but this time verbally guide them, over I mountains, desserts etc and ask them what they can see, hear etc
- 3. Finally ask them to draw their carpet, then a route/map through various environments, like ours. Then ask them to go on the journey, they can then come and add to it or annotate it

Story time: While We Can't Hug https://youtu.be/2PnnFrPaRgY

Singing and Rhyming Time:

Peeple

- ♪ □ ♥ Simple homemade puppets, or drawing faces on your fingers, can help bring songs and rhymes alive for young children.
- □ ♥ Playing with puppets can help children's talking develop, as they pretend to talk for baby duck or Humpty Dumpty.
- The can also make it easier to talk about things that might be worrying them, especially during the current strange time 'I wonder how baby duck and his family are feeling today do you think they're feeling happy or sad?'



Simple puppets for songs, talking and imagination

Puppets can be made really simply from recycled and everyday materials. Children love using puppets or props to make songs and rhymes come to life.

Here are a few ideas to try:



Incy Wincy Spider

One dark glove, stickers for eyes, and up the water spout you go Wiggly woo

Make a wiggly worm using rope, wool, ribbon, playdough...

Two little dickybirds

Draw faces on your fingers or use sticky labels.



Old Macdonald had a farm - Make simple stick puppets by attaching images of farm animals to straws or lolly sticks.



Humpty Dumpty - Trim a paper plate into an oval shape to create your own Humpty and use a piece of paper with bricks drawn on it as a wall for him to sit on... and fall off!

Tommy Thumb - Draw faces on your fingertips or the fingers of a rubber glove - or draw beaks and sing Five little ducks went swimming one day.



Puppets can also help children to talk about feelings and behaviours, and to develop their imagination.

You could act out the song or rhyme together and use the puppets to explore how they might be feeling: 'Do you think Incy Wincy was cross when the rain came down and washed him out of the spout?'

Or maybe make up a story together using the characters from a song - 'Once upon a time there was a worm called Wiggly Woo, and one day...'



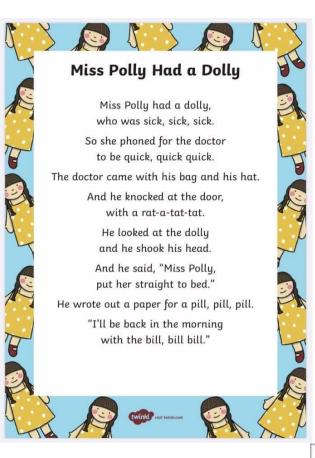
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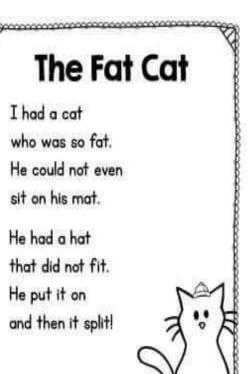




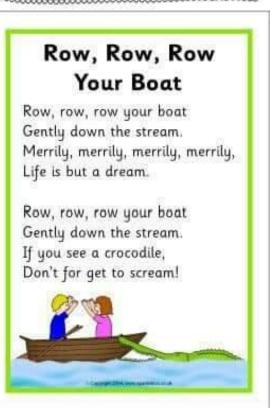


www.peeple.org.uk









10+ Fun Indoor Games and Activities for Pre Schoolers

https://youtu.be/3vAfbUY FDew



If there is anything else, you need support with, please feel free to contact us.

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Remember we are here to help. Please stay safe and take care. Sending love from all at Loudoun.

