

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you and all your families have enjoyed our sports week. We would like to share some more useful websites and fun ideas for you to try at home to support childrens physical development. If you have any videos or photos of your children taking part in any of the activities we would love for you to share them with us. 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:

Stay Active | KA Leisure

Stay Active. With the current Covid-19 restrictions it undoubtedly seems harder to fit exercise and movement into your daily routine. However, staying active is more important than ever at the moment, both for our physical and mental health.

kaleisure.com



This timetable is updated weekly with a variety of physical activities that caters for all the family.

Sing Together: rhymes and songs

(Sing lots of familiar rhymes together, and make up your own silly rhymes.)
Eg: 5 little monkeys jumping on the bed
One fell off and bumped his head
Mummy called the doctor and the doctor said
"No more monkeys jumping on the bed!"
4 little monkeys jumping on the bed ...



Your child can teach you lots more or try this website which has the words and sings it for you: <u>http://www.nurseryrhymes4u.com/NURSERY_RHYMES/COUNTING.html</u>

This site has a variety of action songs and rhymes I'm sure you will all enjoy.

Let's get active: Sticky Kidz. This is a great activity that supports physical fitness and listening and attention skills. As children really enjoy taking part in this at nursery I thought it would be nice to share. Here is a link - just choose the songs with your child/ren and enjoy.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4u3fUr5gb7MrMLzj6J2UA

Let us Keep Fit:



https://watch.lesmillsondemand.com/born-to-move-free

The Wiggles: Social Distancing: This is a great song to support children's understanding of social isolation.

Visit The Wiggles' website: http://TheWiggles.com.au Like The Wiggles on Facebook: http://facebook.com/TheWiggles Follow The Wiggles on Twitter: http://twitter.com/TheWiggles Follow The Wiggles on Instagram: http://instagram.com/TheWiggles Follow The Wiggles on Spotify: https://ab.co/TheWigglesSpotify Tiny the T-Rex | A Cosmic Kids Yoga Adventure!



Cosmic Kids Yoga. Available on You Tube





How many balloons can you get in the basket? You can also put numbers on the balloons. Can you catch pig number 6?

Number the balloons 1-10.

Houses and Homes. Activities and Games.<u>https://www.twinkl.co.uk</u>



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To make this suitable for all age groups change the numbers for example 1-5. Can you get it through number 3? Take notes on player's marks and then add them up, who has the most?



For this you will need fly swatters and balloons. You can play this on your own or with all your family members.



Exploring outside during Coronavirus lockdown

What to do: Every trip outside - even when keeping physically distant from other people and avoiding playgrounds - is an opportunity to explore nature. There are lots of ways that you can encourage your child to be curious about the natural world around them.

Here are a few ideas to do together:

Things to do at home

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- Stop and listen to the sounds of nature –
 "Can you hear the birds? Can you spot them?"
- Turn over a log or stone to discover who's hiding below.
- Point out a spider's web on railings or a bush. Or perhaps the shiny snail trail on the doorstep - but can you find the snail?!
- Feel the rough bark of a tree or cold soil and stones; sniff to see which flowers and plants smell; listen to the wind or rain and feel them on your face; taste the salty sea air; watch how the sky changes...

Children often find these everyday things fascinating and will enjoy exploring and chatting with you about their discoveries.

How it helps - exploring outside helps children to:

- use all their senses sight, smell, sound, taste, touch
- learn from being outside and exploring nature
- improve their physical development helping co-ordination and strengthening big muscles (gross motor skills) as well as small ones (fine motor skills)

Research has shown that time spent outdoors improves physical and mental health - lowering stress levels and helping improve memory, problem-solving and attention.

 supporting parents and
 Find more ideas for things to do at home:

 children to learn together
 @PeepleCentre







www.peeple.org.uk

Challenge videos will continue to be available from the Loudoun website listed below for you and your family to watch and complete as often as you like.



https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/na/loudounmontgomeryprimaryandearlyyears/

If there is anything else you need support with, please feel free to contact us.Tracey Stevenson Early Years Manager Loudoun-Montgomery Primary and Early Years Ayr Road, Irvine. KA12 8DF Mob: 07745771201 Email: <u>gw10mccallumtracey2@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk</u>

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