

Ideas for Nursery Children Home Learning

Dear Parents/ Carers

Here is a list of some activities you may wish to try while the nursery is closed. Any of these activities should be able to be done without needing to buy any resources. We have tried to make them open and flexible. Enjoy having fun together.

- Share stories – retell and act them out
 - Chop the vegetables for dinner together
 - Give your child responsibility to help with household chores
 - Look at Cosmic Kids Yoga on You Tube and join in as a family
 - <https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga> Sharing a family meal and talk about your day.
 - Threading pasta on to wool or string or weaving using a colindar
 - Water play in the bath – scooping, pouring and measuring
 - Design a treasure hunt around the house
 - Junk modelling
 - Make playdough together
 - Musical movement games – Like musical statues
 - Lego and block play – Plan to build something and see if you can follow your plan.
 - Make a sensory tray with shaving foam, soap, cornflour, jelly etc
 - Painting with water in the garden
 - Storytelling with homemade puppets – use old socks, lolly sticks and straws
 - Singing nursery rhymes and action songs. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/nursery-rhymes-songs-index/zhwdgwx>
 - Make music with saucepans and pots
 - Play guessing games – such as think of an animal and model giving clues to help your child guess the animal
 - Play board games, snap or lotto cards
 - Building dens and tunnels with blankets under a table Pairing socks
 - Playing number board games – snakes and ladders, bingo etc
 - Bigger and smaller games – Describing the 3 bears, 3 Billy goats gruff and put objects in size order
 - Add numbers to pegs and help your child order them on a coat hanger
 - Measuring ingredients to cook
 - Sing number songs, such as 5 currant buns, 5 little ducks
 - Sorting toys by colour or shape
 - Make a bowling game with toilet rolls (if you have any!}
 - Go on shape/number hunt around the home or in the garden
 - <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/mathsgames/3-5-years/counting>
- Feed the birds in the garden and keep a record of which birds visit your garden
- Hunt for bugs in the garden and make bug houses
 - Plant seeds such as cress and enjoy watching it grow
 - Observe the weather each day and make a weather chart
 - Make a family tree – who is in your family
 - Dancing to music – use scarves
 - Sing familiar songs and make up your own words to nursery rhyme tunes
 - Play with balls, catching, throwing and kicking. Can your child make up a new game with rules using a ball? Go on a shape hunt
 - Look for 2D/3D shapes around the house and garden

