

Nursery Home Learning

w/c 20th April 2020

Hello Nursery,

We hope you all enjoyed the Easter break and were able to make the most of the wonderful weather we've been having.

Thank you so much to everyone who is sharing their Home Learning with us on Tapestry it's so lovely to see all the things you are up to.

For our Summer Term topic we are going to be looking at things that grow and our topic title is;

How does your Garden Grow?

The daily activities you can find on YouTube are still things we would definitely recommend you try and join in with;

9am - PE with Joe Wicks (a fun workout to get you going in the morning - has anyone done this everyday??)

https://www.youtube.com/results?sp=mAEB&search_query=the+body+coach+and

on the 'Spread the Happiness' channel with Shonette Bason-Wood both

9.30 am - Go to the Dough Disco (developing finger strength and dexterity) and

1.00pm - Play based Story Challenge

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=spread+the+happiness+tv

There are also some other great places to subscribe for fitness and fun on YouTube; Go Noodle - gets you moving and dancing

https://www.youtube.com/results?sp=mAEB&search_query=gonoodle

Cosmic Kids Yoga - storytime and yoga together

<https://www.youtube.com/user/CosmicKidsYoga>

There are lots of resources you can access through 'Twinkl', which has free parent access at the moment, activities which can supported through Twinkl will be marked with a T*.

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/blog/how-to-utilise-twinkl-during-the-coronavirus-shutdown-a-guide-for-parents>

Daily Activities;

Daily Calendar; you could sing a day of the week and month of the year song; lots of these on YouTube (we do the days to the 'Addams Family' tune but you could learn a new one and send us a video on Tapestry, we also generally start out song with Monday as it's the first day of our Nursery week), discuss and write the date, discuss the weather T*

Stories and Songs; these two are so important to do daily. By doing these daily children will hear more words, hear more rhymes and also develop skills which support the whole of the curriculum.

Stories; Children should hear, where possible, 5 stories a day! It may be the same story a few times, or different ones. Once your children have heard a story verbally from you, you may want to look for an animated one online, this can sometimes be quite Americanised so take the time to find something appropriate.

Songs; We make up songs in the Nursery all the time which support our routines, I'm sure you've heard our recent 'Hand Washing' song. But, you could also make your own up which support your routines at home; maybe a getting up/dressed song, bedtime song or even a setting the table song. We'd love to hear them, so upload to Tapestry, we're also very happy to help you with these...just ask! As well as this you can also sing along with your favourite songs and Nursery rhymes...singing really does make you feel better and puts a smile on your face! There are some lovely 'Barefoot Book' songs online;

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=25_u1GzruQM&list=PLomaGUp7cdUkPJgFg9PLOCaQzSDsWo2UR

This is the link to Songs on the BBC School Radio site;

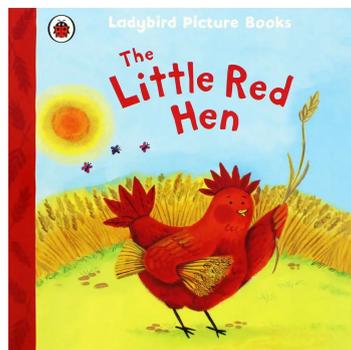
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/nursery-rhymes-songs-index/zhwdgwx>

Counting; this could be something to do with your daily routine e.g. putting the spoons/knives out for breakfast, counting and sorting socks, fruit in your fruit bowl...

This is a link to a counting song we use on YouTube daily;

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=85M1yxIcHpw>

The Little Red Hen **Traditional Tale**



Literacy Activities;

- Read and reread the story - use voices for the different characters, when you've read it a few times your children may be able to join in with parts of the story (there is an ebook available on Twinkl for this story or here's a link to a YouTube version

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GLzna0Hrsc0> versions of this story often have different animals in but this is fine)

-Join in with Pie Corbett telling the story using actions

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JdvJZD-cplg&feature=youtu.be>

-Retelling the story - there are lots of props on Twinkl which could support with this e.g. masks and puppets but you could have a go at making your own maybe using paper plates

- 'Who' is in the story;

-write a list of the animals together (this doesn't have to be with paper and a pencil, it could be outside in chalk or with paintbrushes and water, you could write in chalk and your children could go over the top with a paintbrush dipped in water)

-write a numbered list of the jobs The Little Red Hen has to do (it's really important for children to see writing being modelled, you could write this list for them)

-sound out the animals in the story orally, can the children aurally blend the sounds to make the word for each animal e.g. h-e-n hen, c-a-t cat (you could put pictures of the animals around the room/garden and when you sound out the animal they have to get there as soon as they can or if outside could they throw a ball/bean bag at the correct animal)

-Pencil control;

-mark making in flour - you could use fingers or paintbrushes to make patterns (lines, spirals, zig zags, waves) or practice letters, numbers, and shapes or even draw animals from the story.

Maths Activities;

-Exploring capacity (full, empty, half full/empty, nearly full/empty) with flour, jugs, containers and spoons - pouring and using tools is a great way to increase hand-eye coordination and develop fine motor control and dexterity. (If you can't get flour then there's lots of things you could use; rice, water, lentils...)

-Baking bread - again if you're struggling to get flour is there something else you could bake/cook. Involve the children in measuring the ingredients and using the scales. Activities like cooking are also great for looking at changes, what do the ingredients look like before, during and after the cooking process. Once you've done the baking you could have a picnic with your family and favourite toys and teddies.

Other Activities;

-Look at the growing process of wheat; what did the little red hen do to make it grow...is there anything you could grow at home? Vegetables, flowers, fruit? Keep a growing diary and share it with us Tapestry.

-You could use paint to make some 'handprint' animals, or draw around your hand to make some puppets

-There are on Twinkl Little Red sheets, tasks and what's think you and your children would like to do



lots and lots of resources linked to the story of The Hen such as counting sizing activities, cutting playdough mats; explore there and see which your

-Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins is another great story about a hen who goes out on a walk and unwittingly outsmarts a fox who is after some lunch! After sharing the story could you make your own Rosie's Walk - plan a trail around your garden going over, under or around different obstacles

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R3kNUTwJhf8>

Tapestry;

We are regularly checking in with Tapestry so please keep us updated with all the activities you are doing. You can also use Tapestry to send us any questions you may have about your Home Learning.

Take care all,
The Nursery Team