

Reception School Closure Activities

Please find below some activities to do with your child at home over the coming weeks:

General Activities

- Role play (e.g. pretend kitchen, pretending to be fire fighters/police/doctors/vets) and small world (dolls house/cars and garage/fairies in the garden).
- Construction (e.g. lego/duplo/wooden blocks).
- Fine motor activities (e.g. playdough - recipe attached/cutting/pegging/threading/tweezers/bead work).
- Jigsaws/puzzles.
- General discussions e.g. weather/seasons/days of the week.
- Explore non-fiction books/websites to find out more about subjects of interest (e.g. insects/animals/human body).
- Get active! Joe Wicks "The Body Coach" is running free children's exercise classes Monday-Friday at 9am on his YouTube channel.

Reading and Literacy

- Share a book with your child as often as possible. This is one of the most important activities! Reading Top Tips were sent home linked to reading at Parents Evening.
- Letter formation - Please encourage your child to start their letters in the correct place.
- Phonic Sounds - Continue practising the sounds relevant to your child (as discussed at parents evening) and practice building words e.g. p-i-g, f-l-a-t. See below for helpful websites.
- Red word reading and writing (these can be found in Home Reader packs if issued and appropriate to your child's ability).
- Name writing.

Mathematics

Try to make maths as practical and active as possible!

- Number recognition up to 20 (and beyond if appropriate)
- Counting objects using 1:1 correspondence (i.e. pointing to each object as you count.)
- Number formation up to 20.

- 2D and 3D shape recognition and repeating pattern making.
- Practical addition and subtraction (recording as a number sentence where appropriate, e.g. $5+5=10$)
- Number bonds to 10 (e.g. 8 and 2, 5 and 5) and 20 if appropriate.
- Counting in 2's, 5's and 10's (if appropriate)
- Asking questions such as "how do you know that?" and " Prove it to me?"

The following websites/apps would be useful for your child to use.

Websites

Reading books - <https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/books/free-ebooks/>

How to pronounce pure sounds and 10 top tips for supporting phonics teaching at home -

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/learn-to-read-phonics/>

Phonics Play - <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

ICT games - <https://www.ictgames.com/>

Topmarks - <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

Number work: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWKuiktSh-V3E4ysPU0VC3Q?safe=true>

APPS

Cbeebies Storytime

Doodle Maths

Doodle English

Please share anything you have done at home with us on Tapestry. It is important for us to see what your child has been up to and how they are progressing.

Many thanks and keep well,

The Reception Team