

Dear Nursery Parents,

I have enclosed a list of online songs and activities that we use regularly in nursery. Some of these will be familiar not only to your child but also to you, from our *Getting Ready to Learn* stay and play sessions. Hopefully it will provide you with some inspiration should you need it over the uncertain times that lie ahead. I have included some of the resources that were in the home learning packs, for those that were unable to collect these. You may have noticed that the playdough recipe was missing a vital ingredient- flour! A sign of the quick turnaround! Please forgive me and find enclosed an amended copy 😊

Please feel free to use as much or as little of these activities as you wish. All our children flourish with structure and I would encourage you to try and maintain some routine in their daily lives. Use simple line drawings to draw schedules or first/then boards if you need them. If you have access to a printer, Widgit Software is offering free access at this time, and you can print out any visuals that may help.

www.widgitonline.com/offer use code: WIDGIT30.

Get the children outside as much as possible! They will benefit from the fresh air and it may give you time to regain a little sanity! We have been walking two laps of the school daily and all the children enjoy it! On your walk you might look for rainbows in the windows of neighbouring homes. A lot of children are putting them up as a giant "I spy" game. I know that one child from our nursery was on the news with their rainbow! Well done! These are the rainbows from my home....



The most important thing through all this uncertainty is to keep safe and well. Your children are never far from my thoughts- please let them know that Mrs Cowan, Miss Agnew and myself are thinking of them all and missing them more than you can imagine!

Take care,

Mrs Plant

Nursery Useful Links

Daily songs



<https://youtu.be/tVlcKp3bWH8> Hello Song



<https://youtu.be/SFE0mMWbA-Y> Clean Up Song



<https://youtu.be/rD6FRDd9Hew> How's the weather?

Movement breaks



<https://youtu.be/CtRgy-8Q0SE> Dingle Dangle Scarecrow



https://youtu.be/NwT5oX_mqS0 Shake Your Sillies Out



www.youtube.com/user/CosmickidsYoga Yoga for kids

When we need a little calm in the classroom, we often play the relaxing music linked below. Hopefully it will help bring a little calm to your home when you need it most!

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

Storytime

The children enjoy story time in nursery. Improvise with materials at home to create sensory type stories to help keep your child's attention. Here are some online alternatives.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Waoa3iG3bZ4>

Animated story.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=75NQK-Sm1YY>

Animated story.



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

Dear Zoo with some Makaton.

Cbeebies bedtime stories have lots of super stories. Try and read books with your child as much as possible. Choose a quiet spot where you can cuddle up and enjoy the moment!

Our Favourites

Twinkle Twinkle <https://youtu.be/yCjJyiqpAuU>

Shape Song <https://youtu.be/HnGjbn24at4>

Wheels on the Bus https://youtu.be/v_6KuYtc0Z8

Incy Wincy Spider: https://youtu.be/_6fwkxtp4bw

Old MacDonald https://youtu.be/_6HzoUcx3eo

Skidamarink <https://youtu.be/a7f4z8Wxvvk>



Playdough Recipe

You need:

2 cups of flour

2 tablespoons vegetable oil

$\frac{1}{2}$ cup salt

2 tablespoons cream of tartar

1 to 1.5 cups boiling water (adding in stages until it feels right)

Food colouring or paint.



Tip: A little squirt of hair conditioner makes it feel

You can simply let the children squeeze, roll and tear the dough with their hands. If you have cutters or a rolling pin you can help your child use these too.

Using playdough helps build strength and muscle in your child's fingers. They need this for writing, scissors, using cutlery etc. Remember to supervise your child with playdough.

