



Magnificent Monday! 4/5/20

Dear Parent/Carer,

The Nursery team hope that you and your children are safe and well. Here are some ideas and suggestions for a great day with your child. Choose your favourite 3 or do more and if you can, take some photos to share.



What's my name? (suggested time 10-15 minutes max)

- Get an adult to write your name.
- Have a go at using your finger to trace around the letters. Which letters are round? Which are tall?
- Have a go at copying your name on a piece of paper or some letters in your name! If you want, focus on the first letter of your name!
- Using buttons/ beans or pompoms to trace around the letters.

Wake and Shake! (Suggested time 10 minutes max)

- Play musical statues.
- You can dress for the event to make fun!
- Let your child choose their favourite songs.
- Get active dancing to your favourite music. Can you do a twirl? Can you dance with someone? Can you use your hands? shake your legs? feet?
- Then an adult will press stop to the music. Are you standing still? Who is moving? Can you keep your balance?



Weather Walk and Talk (Suggested time 15 minutes)

- Go for a walk in your garden or as part of the daily exercise.
- Take a pencil or a book to draw things about the weather.
- Talk about how the temperature feels? What are you wearing to go outside? Why are you wearing that? What can you see? Hear?
- Create a picture or take a photo of today's weather as a memory!

Literacy/Maths (Suggested time 15 minutes)

- Collect some beans, seeds, sticks or stones/pebbles from the garden, whichever you have.
- Then use it to play a 'show me' game with an adult or sibling. Your adult will say a number from 0-10 and you need to use what you collected to make that amount.
- Have fun practising your counting. If they say 5 then can you count out 5 objects.
- Also ask the adult to show you a number of objects. Can you count them and say the correct number?



Snack/Lunch (15 minutes)



- Choose 3 of your favourite fruits.
- With an adult's help/supervision, can you cut the fruit up into small bits?
- Then you will create a fruit kebab by putting the fruit pieces on a skewer stick!
 - Can you make a repeating pattern? Eg - pear, apple, grape, then pear apple, grape again.
 - Can you tell an adult how you made the fruit kebab?



Playtime



- Create a hopscotch in your garden using chalk.
- Draw 5 boxes and write the numbers to 5.
- Then you could practise different moves to get to each box. Eg jumping, hopping, side walking.

Topic Activity! (15 minutes)

- Why not have a look at some plants or flowers that might grow in your garden or whilst you are on your daily walk!
- What colour are they? Can you describe the size?
- Are they big, tall or small?
- Draw a picture of what you see or take a photo and draw it after your walk!

Storytime - Jasper's Beanstalk

This week our new story is Jasper's Beanstalk!

- Watch **Jasper's Beanstalk** story with someone - [Jaspers Beanstalk](#) on YouTube or if you have a copy, you could read it with an adult.
- After watching the clip or reading the story, can you talk about what happened in the story?
- Who was the main character? What was your favourite part? What was Jasper trying to grow?

JASPER'S BEANSTALK



Nick Butterworth and Mick Inkpen

Apps you Might Like to Explore with Your Child



CBeebies Storytime is filled with free interactive story books and bedtime stories for young children and is a great way to enjoy reading with your little one. The library is always growing, with amazing stories featuring all the CBeebies' favourites.

CBeebies Playtime Island contains a wide range of fun and educational games to help children understand the world around them and support the development of core skills. Children can play along with all of CBeebies' most popular characters.





Lingumi provides a course focused on spoken and communicative English. The app provides sets of learning games, speech recognition games and video-based games to help the child grow their grammar and get them speaking their first words.

Kaligo is a digital handwriting exercise book designed to teach children how to write using a stylus and tablet, built on an AI machine learning platform. A self-paced approach enables children to progress at their own speed according to their own ability, whilst AI Machine learning provides real-time corrective feedback.

The logo for Kaligo consists of the word "Kaligo" in a playful, rounded font. The letters are multi-colored: 'K' is blue, 'a' is orange, 'l' is green, 'i' is red, 'g' is blue, and 'o' is red.



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[Phonics websites that you can access](#)

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/#https://www.phonicsbloom.com/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds>