



Fantastic Friday! 17/7/20

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.

Over the week we will be reviewing stories your child has learnt throughout the year. See what they can remember about any of the stories before reading/watching them and completing activities.

Story of the Day!

- Jasper's Beanstalk (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Da6lxY_8jmU&t=25s)

Beans and Tweezers! (suggested time 10-15 minutes max)



- Fill a tray with a selection of dry beans.
- Also provide some small bowls to put the beans into.
- Use tweezers, tongs or spoons to scoop up the beans and move from the tray to the bowls.
- Try activities such as moving one bean at a time, counting beans as moving them, guessing how many beans are in each bowl.
- Can you move a bean at a time? How many beans can you count?

Wake and Shake! (Suggested time 10 minutes max)

- Watch The Body Coach 5 minute move workout below.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d3LPrhIOv-w>
- Follow along with the different workout moves.
- Can you copy the actions?
- What actions is he doing?
- Which actions were easy/hard?



Nature painting! (Suggested time 15 minutes)



- Collect some sticks and leaves on your walk or from your garden.
- Use the sticks as tools to make marks, either with mud and water or use paint!
- You could also try tying some leaves to the end of the stick to make a paint brush.
- Have some messy fun and make some marks on paper or on the ground.
- What types of marks can you make? Try making some zig zag lines. Make some circular shapes. Can you try making wavy lines? Tell an adult about the marks you made.



Maths (Suggested time 15 minutes)

- Collect some leaves from your garden or during a daily walk.
- If you can't find leaves, cut some leaf shapes out of paper.
- Support your child to write numbers from 1 to 10 onto each leaf.
- Mix up the leaves in a bowl and then get your child to arrange them in the correct order.
- They could do this in a line or you could draw a beanstalk and then ask your child to place the leaves in order going up the beanstalk.
- You could also get an empty cardboard roll and make little holes to stick the leaves into to make a 3D beanstalk.



Snack/Lunch (15 minutes)



- Jasper grows a beanstalk in the story.
- What do you think may grow on the beanstalk? Usually beans or peas grow on plants like a beanstalk.
- Ask an adult to buy some fine beans, broad beans, green beans, runner beans, sugar snap peas or regular peas from the supermarket.
- Some may need to be cooked and some you can eat raw. Ask an adult to cook them for you if needed.
- Have a try at tasting

Playtime

- In the story of 'Jaspers' Beanstalk' we are not sure what is at the top of the beanstalk.
- Let's make a castle that may be hiding at the top in the clouds.
- Fill a tray with white shaving foam or whipped soap.
- Add a selection of toy blocks to the tray.
- Let your child play and build with the block, making a 'castle' that is hiding in the clouds.
- Add some toy people or animals to be like Jasper the cat climbing the beanstalk.



Topic Activity! (15 minutes)



- Using some of the natural resources you may have collected for other activities, let's make a collage of a beanstalk.
- Draw or paint a tall beanstalk stem.
- Use some leaves and stick them along the beanstalk. You could also draw them.
- If you have some beans, you could stick them to the bottom of the picture like they were being planted in the ground.
- Use some cotton wool to make some clouds in the sky around the top of the beanstalk.
- Talk about what you used in your picture and the different parts.

