



**Holmfirth**  
Junior, Infant and Nursery School

Dear Nursery Parents,

Here are some numeracy and literacy activities for you to do with your child at home. Try to do at least one of each a day as your child plays, helps you with chores around the house or as part of your daily walk/exercise.

### **Numeracy Activities**

- Count your teddies or soft toys. Put them in a line and sing “There was one in a bed and the little one said roll over” etc.
- Select the correct numeral to match to the line of teddies. Can you order them 1-5 or 1-10?
- Make a tally chart for your daily walk...counting different coloured cars/flowers
- Recite counting rhymes and songs together eg. I have 10 teeth ,one wobbles.
- Make a toy shop with soft toys, write price tags and use 1p coins to buy items from 1p -10p. How much for 2 items? (older children could help with this)
- Use tongs or tweezers to pick up small toys. (this is good for fine motor development)
- Play games e.g. Throw and catch a tennis ball. Count how many you can do.

### **Shape, Space and Measure Activities**

- Look for triangular objects in your house or garden.
- Use chalk or a stone to draw straight lines and zigzags.
- Use lollipop sticks or felt-tipped pens to construct different sized triangles. How many sticks do you need for 1 triangle or 2 triangles?
- Learn how to make toast and cut it into triangles
- Use scissors to cut out a triangle

There are lots of other activities to support your learning on Twinkl and PurpleMash.



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## Literacy Activities

We will be learning the phase 1 sounds s,a,t,p,i,n over the next few weeks. This week we will introduce activities with 't.'

- Put objects on a tray beginning with t, ask your child to say the word and describe the object.
- Play I spy on your daily walk, look for " t" things.
- Write some letter t's on small pieces of paper and hide around the room for your child to find.
- Use playdough, pastry or plasticene to make a shapes then let your child trace over it from top to bottom.
- Use chinks or pens to write t, always start at the top.
- Sing "when I watch a tennis game t,t,t " ( phonic songs on the Letters and Sounds website)
- Show understanding of alliteration using some words beginning with t eg ten tiny tadpoles.
- Tap out simple rhythms

Share stories and rhymes daily.

- See if your child can tell you when they hear a word with the t sound.
- Play games eg alphabet lotto, alphabet jigsaws and magnetic letters.
- Encourage your child to look at books independently and become aware of how a story is structured.
- Encourage your child to suggest how a story might end.
- Explore mark making with pens, crayons, chinks, paints. See if your child ascribes meaning to the marks they make.
- Look at stories with tigers or toys in. eg The Tiger who came to Tea

## Creative Activity

Can you make with a time capsule and bury it in your garden?

Can you paint or draw a stripy tiger? Can you make a family tree?

Continue to take photos and make pictures for your 2020 Memory Boxes. Hope to see you all soon. Stay safe...and alert.

From Mrs. Charlesworth.



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