

Cherry Class Home Activities

Activities to encourage 'Talk' and Learning through play – Part 7

Here are some more ideas of activities you could do when you are at home over the next two weeks before the summer holiday. Please continue to upload and share activities or experiences onto Tapestry weekly. We look forward to seeing what you are doing and learning at home.

To encourage talk and communication:

- Can you remember our 'Hello Song?' See if you can and add the Makaton signs we do. Mr Tumble does a version on you tube to remind you.
https://www.google.co.uk/search?hl=en&q=mr+Tumble+hello+song&meta=&gws_rd=ssl#spf=1593537876637
- Put on some of your favourite songs and play musical statues or musical bumps. Make sure your family join in the fun too!
- Find a new book and look at the front cover. Can you say what you think it will be about?
- Have you looked at our book Walking through the Jungle?
https://www.google.com/search?q=walking+through+the+jungle&rlz=1C1GCEU_enGB821GB821&oq=Walking+through+the+jungle&aqs=chrome.0.0j46l2j0l5.9847j0j8&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8
See if you can remember any lines from the book. Act out some of the story walking through the different places and meeting all of the animals.
- Sing some favourite songs e.g. Hokey Cokey, Freeze Dance, anticipating what word comes next. We've found another fun song for you to learn called Tooty Ta. This is definitely going to be one of our new favourites.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ea4TVg0_8Dk

To encourage physical development:

- Some of you will be going into Plum Class in September so see if you can help by putting on your coat and shoes independently.
- Have a tea party for your toy animals, like the one at the end of our book and practise pouring from jugs into cups. You could do this in the bath with lots of bubbles as well.
- We hope you are still singing our favourite action songs and dancing along to them. Another song to sing is 'Lets go to the Zoo' with lots of actions to accompany it
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OwRmivbNgQk> . Another dance to try is 'Yes I can' https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_lr0Mc6Qilo
- We've found a fun playdough song. Sing along to 'Down in the Jungle' and squeeze, squish and slap your play dough as you sing.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o9D5lfqZF3o>
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To encourage mathematical activities:

- Sing our number songs five cheeky monkeys, five currant buns etc.
- When you are practising your pouring you could see when your cup is full, half full or empty. Maybe you could test some toys to see if they sink or float.

- Did you do a number hunt last week? This time collect the numbers you find and see if you can put them in order 1-5.
- Play a memory game. Ask an adult to put four items on a tray, have a good look and then let them take one away. Can you remember which one it was?
- Play a simple online maths game.
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?Subject=37> This site has some fun games for you to try with adult supervision.

To encourage creativity:

- Experiment with colours, mixing two together to see what they make. You don't need brushes to paint, use your hands and fingers to create pictures and patterns. We would love to see them. You can also print with recycling e.g. bubble wrap or empty kitchen rolls; these create lovely shapes. See if you can name any shapes.
- Use empty kitchen paper rolls or small plastic bottles to make a puppet person or animal. You can decorate it with markers, stickers, scrap papers, fabric and other crafty bits and then maybe put on a show.
- Find a very large cardboard box and decorate it using crayons, paints and other decorations. It could be a house, boat, cave, you can use your creativity and imagination. Ask an adult to cut out windows or doors.
- Make binoculars by taping two empty kitchen rolls together, tape on a strap on either side. Then explore the outside with your new binoculars.

The website www.eyfshome.com adds new recommendations for activities for Nursery age children daily. So please have a look if you would like some more ideas and videos of lessons.

It is still very important to continue to practise washing your hands thoroughly. This has to be my favourite so far. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IMQBumkdQR0> This site includes lots of other fun songs for you to look at too.

