

NURSERY CLASS HOME LEARNING



Week 2 – The Gruffalo

WRITING

- Practise writing your name every day.
- Can you draw/label some of the characters in this story?
- Can you make a list of objects you might see, hear, feel, smell and taste in the forest?

PHONICS/LISTENING ACTIVITIES

The website below has some simple early phonics games to play; choose Phase One games.

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

using the username: jan21

password: home

Children/parents can access games for free.

Here is a link to a cbeebies game, which asks the children to match the farm animal to the sound that they hear:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/puzzles/down-on-the-farm-animal-sounds-quiz>

Here is a link to a rhyming words video, this is the beginning of children's phonics learning, hearing words which sound the same, before hearing and recognising individual sounds in words.

https://youtu.be/OCir-1Yms_4

READING

Please can you read stories to your child each day.

Here is a link to our EYFS story bank on you tube, these stories are read by all the EYFS staff at Our Lady's.

https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLYucunha4tOGpYMzhtPSJ_hJHMSbX74-I

Weekly topic: The Gruffalo

Here is a link to Mrs Nailor reading the Gruffalo story:

https://youtu.be/7OKdWi3kt_o

You can find lots of Gruffalo fun on the official website:

<https://www.gruffalo.com/>

- Can you tell someone what happens in the story?
- Even though the mouse is scared, he is very brave. Can you talk about a time when you have felt scared or been brave?
- The story takes place in the wood. Can you think of, or find out about, any other animals that live in the wood? Can you draw and label these?
- The animals in the story have their own home (habitat). Can you find out where other animals live?
- Build a home for an animal, from the story or choose a different one. You could use Lego or any sort of building blocks, alternatively you could use natural materials such as leaves and twigs.

- Draw a map of the mouse's journey through the woods. Label the animals he meets and the things he passes.

- The animals are worried that they are food for the Gruffalo (e.g. scrambled snake). Can you think of some other funny food for the Gruffalo?

MATHS

White Rose Maths

The following lessons are on a website called White Rose Maths, these lessons are specifically aimed at Early Years and cover a variety of early maths concepts.

<https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/early-years/alive-in-5-week-1/>

CBeebies Number Raps

Have a look at some of these number raps to help you child identify and recognise numbers:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/playlist-number-raps?collection=numbers-and-letters>

Remember that counting everyday objects and matching them to the correct number is a brilliant way to support your child's early maths skills, even counting the stairs as you go up and down them!

Here is a link to our numeral song, we would usually sing this during every session at nursery, the children could now have a go at writing some of the numbers themselves, using the rhyme to help direct them.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=liKBXp5kdL8>

Try to keep maths practical and meaningful. Cooking is a great time to incorporate maths with numbers, measuring and capacity elements. Here is a recipe to make your own playdough, this is the recipe that we use for the playdough in class:

<p>The Oxford Owl website has lots of stories that you can share. It is free to register and the ebooks are also free: https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/</p> <p>Nursery rhymes are a wonderful way to help children with their reading and writing. There are lots to choose from here: https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/nursery-rhymes-a-to-z-index/z4ddgwx</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You can learn the Gruffalo song with actions here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qCdVP9Qq6HM • How would the animals in the story move? Can you move like them? 	<p>2 cups of plain flour 1 cup of salt 1 table spoon of oil 1 table spoon cream of tartar 2 cups of boiling water Add food colouring, glitter, essence the choice is yours!</p>

Here are some websites for you to share with your children at home.

Maths

TopMarks offers a good selection of simple tablet-friendly games for children to support their maths. Here are a few of our favourites but there are lots more on their website www.topmarks.co.uk

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/teddy-numbers>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/underwater-counting>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/early-years/shape-monsters>

Top Marks also have some early listening games, here is the link to one in particular:

http://www.literactive.com/Download/live.asp?swf=story_files/match_the_sounds_US.swf



