

Nursery Class - Summer Term Week 1

Our theme is 'In the Garden' and our story focus is 'Superworm' by Julia Donaldson.

Please use these ideas as a basis for your child's learning at home. You can revisit and adapt the ideas throughout the week to develop your child's interest and to consolidate their learning. Remember to also take time to observe your child and to then follow their individual needs and interests.

<u>Literacy</u>	<u>Maths</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can you create a cosy reading den to enjoy looking at books in? You could use pillows, blankets, sheets, duvets etc... You could also invite some of your favourite soft toys along for a story time session. Remember to add lots of books to your den for you to enjoy. Can you listen to the Superworm story? If you don't have a copy of the story you can watch it on the link below. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LRdbB_tRpsg&t=69s  <p>After listening to the story, you could:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - talk about the rhyming words and think of other words that rhyme. <i>*I have added a rhyming game to the files section.</i> - talk about your favourite parts of the story, the different characters or what might happen next. - draw a story map or make your own story props to re-tell parts of the story. - design your own superhero cape. <i>*I have added a superhero cape template to the files section or you could simply draw your own.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can you compare the length of different objects in your home? When we compare length, we use the mathematical language long, longer, longest and short, shorter and shortest. You can introduce and model using this language when comparing 2 or 3 different objects by their length. You could compare socks, food, pieces of string, strips of paper, straws, sticks, pencils etc...  <p><i>*I have added a worm activity to the files section for you to cut out and compare.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can you create a collage using a selection of long and short materials? You could create a natural collage outside or you could use creative materials such as straws, string, wool etc.... As you are creating together, encourage your child to use mathematical language to describe and compare the length of the resources that they are using.
<u>Physical</u>	<u>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can you join in with the workout session?  <p>Andy from CBeebies has a fun and informative workout for you to take part in. Remember this is fun for all the family. https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/p06tmry2/andys-wild-workouts-series-1-9-the-undergrowth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can you lead a dough disco session for your adults? <i>*I have added a sheet with dough disco information and a recipe for homemade playdough in the files section.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can you be kind and helpful to others?  <p>Help an adult out by folding some clothes.</p>  <p>In your free time, draw a picture for an adult you love.</p> <p>Encourage your child to be helpful by making jobs around the house fun. Remember to praise your child, being specific about what they did well or what you liked about what they did. This will boost their self-esteem and encourage them to be more helpful in the future.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can you play turn taking games with your family? Dig out the dominoes and dust off the snakes and ladders; have fun together playing some good old-fashioned games. Remember not to be too grumpy if you don't win!

<p>Remember, it is very important to keep as active as possible. You could have fun making up your own ways to keep moving.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Understanding the World</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can you hunt for mini beasts? You can download the mini-beast hunt checklist sheet, or you can mark down what you see in your home learning book. You can pose these questions to your child to inspire and extend their learning... <i>I wonder what we will find. I wonder why they live there. Does it have any legs? How many legs does it have? I wonder if it can fly. Do you notice any patterns? Can you compare the mini beast to see what is the same or different? Can you draw a picture of your favourite mini beast?</i> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>You can also go on a minibeast adventure with Jess from CBeebies. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ivATDO8RJsw Remember to put the minibeasts back where you found them once you have had a look.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can you use a camera to take photographs? You could challenge your child to take photographs of specific things e.g. 5 red things, 5 different flowers, 5 shapes in the environment, 5 of their favourite toys, 5 of their favourite books etc... 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Expressive Arts and Design</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can you create your super worm? You could thread buttons, beads, pasta, kitchen roll tubes, straws or you could stuff an old pair of tights or some long socks with newspaper. <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>I wonder if your Superworm will be able to do some of the exciting and helpful things that the Superworm in the story could do.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can you create your own homemade instruments? <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>You could use junk materials or household resources to create your very own musical instrument. I wonder what sound it will make, I wonder what you will call your instrument, I wonder if you can play along to your favourite nursery rhyme.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Communication and Language</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can you describe what you can feel? For this game you will need 5 different household items and a bag (don't let your child see the items). Put one item in the bag at a time and then ask your child to put their hands in and describe what they can feel, can they guess what it is? Take it in turns to play the game together; this is a great way to introduce new descriptive vocabulary. • Can you listen and identify the different noises? <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>For this game you need a selection of different noisy objects; your child can help you hunt for different noisy objects around the house, e.g. a packet of crisps, a set of keys, water in a bottle etc... Once you have found the objects, hide them under a towel and make a sound with one at a time. Encourage your child to describe what they can hear and identify what is making the sound. Take it in turns to play the game together; this is a great way to introduce new descriptive vocabulary.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Message from Mrs Patterson</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>“I hope that you all have a wonderful week learning at home with your adults. I would love to see what you get up to; feel free to send photographs to our school email address.”</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">montalbo@durhamlearning.net</p>

*The ideas for your learning at home is based on the seven areas of learning from the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) curriculum.