

Reception School Closure Home Learning Challenges

Don't forget that you can come up with other ideas too...you could paint a picture, build a model, make up a song, act out through role play.

Understanding the World



Try some planting activities. You could plant some seeds in a flowerpot filled with soil. Make sure to give them some water and put them somewhere sunny.

How many different types of technology can you find around your home? Which room has the most electrical devices? Talk to your grown-up and find out what they are used for.

Look at some ice carefully. What can you see inside? Can you find a way to melt the ice?

Make a weather chart to show what Spring weather is like. You could draw a picture of the weather each day.

During Spring, lots of animals have their babies. Can you draw and find out the names of these baby animals: pig, duck, sheep, cow and horse.



Expressive Arts and Design

Make some Easter treats to share with your family. You could make cakes or biscuits and decorate them too!

Draw or paint an Easter picture.

Decorate some hard-boiled eggs, to make them bright and colourful. You could use pens or paint and add some extra decorations, such as stickers, feathers, pom-poms or googly eyes.

Make an Easter basket to keep your Easter eggs safe. You could use empty cardboard boxes and add some decorations too.

Make up a dance to your favourite song..



Religious Education



Draw a picture that reminds you that Jesus is always with you.

Make a cross to remind you that Jesus died on a cross. Cut strips of paper and stick them into a cross shape and decorate them.

Make an Easter card for your family.

Make an Easter basket. Draw or write words of kind things you do for people and put these in the basket.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Maths

In a shallow tray or plate of flour or sand, use your finger to write a numeral from 0 to 20. Challenge a grown up to identify the number. Then ask them to write a number for you to identify.

Ask a grown up to write the numbers 0 to 20 on pieces of paper and hide them around a room or garden. Go on a hunt for all of the numbers. Each time you find a number, tell a grown up what number you have found.

Write out the numbers 0-20 on some paper or card, cut them up and then ask a grown-up to mix the numbers up - don't peek! Then, see how quickly you can put them into the correct order. You could ask someone to time you and then see if you can get faster when you try again.

Choose 20 blocks and build a model. Can you use the same blocks to build a different model?

If there are 10 eggs in a basket and then 5 get eaten, how many would be left in the basket? What about if there were 20 eggs in the basket?
You could use your fingers or draw a picture to help you.

Draw circles on a piece of paper and put different coloured paints in shallow trays. Choose a number between 1 and 20. Dip your finger into paint and add that many petals to one of the circles, making a flower. Count the petals to check how many you have and write that number in the middle of the circle. Choose another number and do the same to another circle on your page. Fill up your page with colourful flowers, each with different amounts of petals.

Set up a small shop using toys or food. Give each item a price label with a price of up to 20p. Now, imagine that you are having a sale. Can each price go down by 2p?

Build a tower with 15 bricks. Can you build two more towers of bricks, one that uses one less than 15 bricks and one that uses one more than 15? Can you put these in an order? What do you notice?

With a grown-up, make a simple calendar. You could make it for a week or for a month. You will need to write the days of the week and could write the month too. Use your calendar to write down special events and activities. Can you use the words; day, week, month, tomorrow, yesterday and next week?

Draw a picture of a clock you have at home. Look carefully at the clock. What numbers can you see? Write the numbers onto your clock picture. Can you draw the hands of the clock? Which numbers are they pointing to? Do you know what time it is?

Below is a list of educational websites which your child can use to support their learning at home.



<https://www.purplemash.com/stmarystf7> A range of EYFS games and activities to support learning. Your child has their own username and login details. These can be found at the front of your child's reading diary.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk> Topmarks gives children the opportunity to learn online, through safe, fun and engaging games and activities.

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/freeIndex.html> - Interactive phonics games

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/Early-Years.html> -A range of EYFS games to support learning.

<https://www.ictgames.com/> An educational site with free literacy and maths games for children.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies> Educational games linked to your child's favourite Cbeebies characters.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tv/cbeebies> Alphablocks is particularly good for supporting phonics learning and Numberblocks for supporting maths learning.

Please continue to read daily with your child and record this in their reading diary. This is vitally important as reading is the key to being successful in all areas of learning. It doesn't just have to be your child's reading book, it could be a comic, magazine or any other books or reading material that you have at home.



Inside your child's homework book you will find sheets containing the phonics speed sounds and red words to practise daily with your child.

Currently we have learned the sounds from Set 1 (on the first page) and Set 2.

The Set 1 sounds also show the rhyme for the letter formation for each sound. Please use these so your child can practise their letter formation, concentrating on any letters that they find difficult to write or write the wrong way round.

We have been practising the red words from Set 1 and Set 2. Please feel free to practise words from Set 3 and 4 if you feel that your child is able to read them.

100 Things to do indoors

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1. Make non-cook playdough, then have a Dough Disco
2. Paint our families' portrait
3. Write and make a book
4. Draw flowers or the fruit bowl
5. Learn some laughter yoga www.roberttrivest.com
6. Finger paint
7. Make a band from kitchen pots and pans
8. Footprint paint
9. Have a dance alarm every 30 minutes
10. Have a karaoke
11. Send a video message to family and friends to get them busy
12. Have a birthday party for a pet or cuddly toy
13. Have an indoor picnic
14. Discover your favourite story and share it together
15. Order books alphabetically
16. Have an indoor treasure hunt
17. Dress up in adult shoes
18. Find a fairy door in your house or garden
19. Do the Hokey Cokey
20. Take a selfie through a toilet roll tube and pretend you are on the moon



21. Make cards for everyone at home
22. Get some sheets to flap and pretend they are the waves and jump in
23. Make cakes
24. Get material or cardboard and make mermaid or merman's tails
25. Get all the chairs together and make a bus, play conductors and drivers
26. Make a camp in your bed
27. Make a dark den and use a torch
28. Write a letter to a neighbour or friend
29. Colour in a colouring book or draw a picture
30. Make wool or string hair over a chair
31. Have a pamper day
32. Have a crunched up paper fight (from recycling)
33. Make ice lollies with cordial and water
34. Make sandwiches in strange shapes
35. Make a pretend car from boxes/furniture
36. Learn a rhyme or poem
37. Make paper aeroplanes
38. Have a pirate adventure, make boats from boxes or furniture
39. Blow bubbles and catch them
40. Make a number frieze for the wall, decorate



41. Read Pirate George series available on Kindle
42. Make a papier mache sculpture over a balloon
43. Keep a balloon up in the air game
44. Play a board game
45. Play hide and seek
46. Play dominoes
47. Learn a card game
48. Make smoothies
49. Perform a puppet show
50. Make shadow puppets
51. Make finger/sock puppets
52. Choreograph a dance or learn a dance routine
53. Have an upside down meals day, lunch for breakfast etc.
54. Learn a sing-along for Spread the Happiness TV
55. Learn to cook something new
56. Learn Brilliant Beast Song on Spread the Happiness TV YouTube Channel
57. Leave happy notes all around the house
58. Make a fitness routine and put your family through their paces
59. Using vegetables, make characters
60. Dance and sing to Knees up Mother Brown



61. Play I spy
62. Open your windows and sing out a song
63. Learn Days of the Week Song
64. Play musical statues
65. Learn a Beatles song
66. Learn a Queen song
67. Make an indoor restaurant and serve your family
68. Have a toy's tea party
69. Roll balls down the stairs
70. Be superheroes with capes
71. Eat cereal with a gigantic spoon
72. Have an ice cream party
73. Enter an online competition to win a prize
74. Vacuum your home
75. Polish your home
76. Fold up sheets
77. Use a sheet as a parachute to fluff up and hide under and play parachute games
78. Make binoculars with toilet rolls and look out the window at the birds
79. Make yoghurt pot telephones
80. Make a junk model rocket as large as you can



81. Create a comedy show
82. Pretend to conduct an orchestra to music
83. Hike up your stairs like it is a mountain, so so high
84. Roll around a large space in your home
85. Hop around like a bunny
86. Learn to play sleeping bunnies
87. Learn and act out 5 Little Monkeys
88. Find as many collections of 10 things in your home as you can
89. Dance in the shower
90. Sing in the shower
91. Squirt shaving foam in your hands
92. Make a scrap book of your favourite things, people
93. Play Jack in the Box in a large cardboard box
94. Have a themed party
95. Stay up late to look at the stars with a night time picnic
96. Play apple bobbing
97. Jump on the bed
98. Bash a pinata
99. Do coin rubbing with paper and crayons
100. Play pass the parcel



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