

## NURSERY HOME LEARNING

Week beginning 20/04/20

Hello nursery,

I hope you have all had a fabulous Easter holiday. From speaking to your families, it sounds like you got a lot of Easter eggs from the Easter Bunny and I'm sure you have enjoyed sharing them! I was very lucky to receive a big chocolate egg this year, so I melted some of it down and made some Krispy cakes (My favourite!). Why not try making some with an adult with any spare chocolate you have?

At last the sun has been shining too. I have spent a lot of time in my garden, cleaning all of the decking and garden furniture. I have also started to grow some lettuce and peas in my garden. Our topic this term is 'The Garden of Life', so I have tried to grow plants from seeds. I will keep you updated how they come along.

I spoke to Mrs Cossey last week and we both said we are missing you all terribly! We cannot wait until we are all back to school. Something VERY EXCITING starts this week in the Early Years! Our new outdoor learning environment is beginning on Monday. At the moment it is a big mess as it is all being cleared away ready for our new turf and surfaces. It won't take long until we have a road track, fantastic mud digging pit and many more wonderful areas which I will keep a secret for now.

I have given you some little jobs you could do with your families below. I do hope you enjoy them and if you have any photos of you completing them, I would love to see them. Please send them to our school email address: [enquiries@sacristonacademy.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@sacristonacademy.co.uk) and I will get them.

We hope you and your families stay safe and well,

With love from Mrs Parks and Mrs Cossey





## Maths



To help practise your counting skills, with a garden theme, watch, listen and learn this song about planting potatoes!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XdUWM-fABGY>

This week, have some fun with counting things that you cannot see. For example, get some coins and a pot and ask an adult to drop the pennies into the pot. Close your eyes and count the sounds you hear - did you count correctly?

You can do this other sounds too such as clapping, banging or clicking sounds. See if you can think of a way to show how many sounds you have counted. This may be drawing a line for each one for example.



## Reading and Writing



Listen to the story of Jack and the Beanstalk. Make some little puppets using paper and pens and see if you can retell parts of the story with an adult. An you use a giant voice for the giant and a scared voice for Jack? Let me know if you enjoy the story.

Some 'wonderous words' you might learn are 'giant', 'tall, twisting beanstalk', 'magic, colourful beans', and 'magnificent castle'.

Also, around your kitchen have a go at finding tins, cereal or packets and read their contents. For example, have you got 'Weetabix' or Rice Krispies' at home?



## Science



Have a look around your garden. How many different plants can you see? Look at the shape of their leaves. Do any have flowers and what colour are they? Have a go at drawing some of the plant you find.



## PSHE



This term we will be thinking about living in the wider world and what people and living things need to help keep them safe and happy. Think about all of the things you are doing at home with your families that are keeping you happy and if you can, ask an adult to take some photos

of you doing them. Or, you could get some help to draw some of them and record what you have been up to.

Also, if you haven't yet read this book with your family, this helps to understand a little bit more about Coronavirus <https://nosycrowcoronavirus.s3-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/Coronavirus-ABookForChildren.pdf>



### Music

You have been asked to learn the 'In My Little Garden Song' to help with your counting. Once you know the words can you make sounds with your body to go with the song or even make a musical instrument of your own. For example, you can use an empty yoghurt pot and put small stones inside to make a shaker. Be creative and you could decorate your instrument too!



### Art



This term is all about exploring mouldable materials. If you have plasticine at home, you could use this to make some sausage shapes just like the stem part of a plant. You could roll out some leaf shapes and see if you can make Jack's beanstalk and make some little ball shapes to become his magic beans. If you don't have plasticine, here is a very simple recipe to make some dough: <https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/playdough-recipe>, or you can even just use a pastry recipe and even bake your finished creations!



### PE



Who has been taking part in Joe Wicks every day? This is a great daily exercise to get your day started, if you haven't already: <https://www.youtube.com/user/thebodycoach1>

Also, if you visit <https://durhamcls-ssp.co.uk/home-resources/> and click on Early Years Activity Cards, you will find the first activity is all about animal moves. This could be a fun family activity this week!

**EYFS fundamental movement activities**

Pretending to be an animal can provide lots of movement opportunities for children. There's lots of games and activities you can play.

Walk like an animal. Show one child a card with a picture of an animal on. The child then needs to walk like that animal. Can other people in the house guess what animal they are trying to be?

Have a selection of cards with a task on such as hop like a rabbit, stomp like an elephant, crouch like a tiger. A child selects a card and tries to move like the animal. Parents try to guess what their animal is.

Have a dice with pictures of animals on. The child rolls the dice and attempts to move like the animal.

Make a noise like an animal and the child needs to guess what the animal is and move around the room.

Play music like the wheels on the bus but change the lyrics to the ducks / sheep / horses on the farm.



### Try something new.....



Plant a seed or pip.

Lots of the food you eat every day has seeds inside. For example, oranges have pips as do lemons and tomatoes have seeds. Why not have a go at growing a plant from them? There are some examples on here: <https://www.diyncrafts.com/4732/repurpose/25-foods-can-re-grow-kitchen-scrap> to get you started.