

Understanding the World

- Blow bubbles—can you make big bubbles and small bubbles? Can you catch them?
- Bake your favourite cakes. What did you have to do? What changes did you see?
- Hunt for bugs in your garden, or when you visit the park. What did you see? What did they look like? Can you draw them?
- Plant some seeds and watch them grow. What do they look like? Can you eat what you have grown?
- Look at science experiments for children <https://firstdiscoverers.co.uk/early-years-science-activities-eyfs/>
- Look at the weather every day and make a weather chart.
- Make a family tree—who is in your family? Can you draw pictures of them?
- Feed the birds in your garden. Can you take photos of the birds that visit? Which is your favourite?



Expressive Art and Design

- Listen to your favourite music and dance to it. Take some photos of you having fun.
- Sing your favourite nursery rhymes and songs. Find some instruments (pots, pans and wooden spoons or an empty bottle with some rice inside) and play along as you sing.
- Make your own paint using shaving foam or ice with food colouring added. Paint with brushes, sticks or your fingers. What pictures can you paint?
- Make a model using empty packaging and boxes. Cut the shapes you want with scissors and stick it all together with Sellotape. What did you make? Take a photograph and send it to us.
- Find some towels and blankets. Make yourself a cosy place to tell all your favourite stories to someone in your house. You could pretend to be your favourite character—what do they say? What do they do?
- Cut out pictures from magazines and leaflets that come through your door, or that you have at home. Use them to make a picture of something you like.



Activities to try at home

This is a list of activities to try at home, that cover the seven areas of learning that your child experiences in Nursery.

It is not a tick list—just some ideas that might be fun. Choose as many you like, and repeat your favourites as many times as you like.

Please send lots of photos to the email address. We would love to see all the fun things that you get up to as a family. We're going to miss them being in school so much.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Share lots of stories. Enjoy a cuddle on the sofa as you look at the pictures and tell the stories together.
- Help your mum or dad make a meal—help to wash and chop the vegetables, or mix the ingredients in a bowl.
- Help with some household chores—be responsible for a job. You could spray the window cleaner on the windows, or dust the table. You could try to sweep the floors or fold the clothes.
- Play your favourite games—snap or pairs or Uno are always good fun.
- Look at Cosmic Yoga on Youtube—choose your favourite and follow what to do with your family—it's lots of fun.
- Make funny faces and take selfies on a grown ups phone—which one is your favourite? Email your favourites to us at school.



Physical Development

- Thread pasta shapes onto wool or string. How many can you thread?
- Take some jugs and scoops into the bath and have fun tipping and pouring.
- Make some playdough together and use it to make different shapes. The recipe can be found on Youtube.
- Make models with bricks or lego. What can you build?
- Take your family for a walk—National Trust have opened all their parks to the public for free—there is lots of space so no need to worry about being too near to other people. Google to find where your nearest one is. Or go for a local walk to Gower Hey Woods, or along the canal path.

Communication and Language

- Tell stories. Make puppets with old socks, lollipop sticks or straws to help you tell the stories.
- Play your favourite board games.
- Sing rhymes and songs and put on a performance for your family.
- Play guessing games—think of an animal, person or object and give clues. Can you guess what it is?

Maths

- Help to pair the socks—can you match the colours and the patterns?
- Play snakes and ladders—draw your own on paper if you don't have it already.
- Write numbers on pegs and help your child to order them on a washing line.
- Help to count out the cutlery and plates when you lay the table—how many did you count? Was there enough for everyone?
- Find your favourite number rhymes on Youtube. Our favourites in Nursery are 5 currant buns, 5 little ducks and 5 little men in a flying saucer. What other good ones can you find?
- Make a bowling game using toilet roll tubes. Write numbers on them—which ones can you knock down when you roll the ball?

Literacy

- Sing lots of Nursery Rhymes.
- Teach someone at home to play Itsy Bitsy Bumble Bee, Can You Rhyme Your Name with Me?
- Use pens, pencils or crayons to draw pictures, make the patterns that we practise at school, or write messages and notes for people at home.
- Read stories every day.