

Nursey Rhymes

Joining in with nursey rhymes, singing and doing the actions, is a really important part of Early years as it helps children develop crucial skills such as developing phonemic awareness, listening skills as well as supports their language development. So, the more singing you can do the better!

Some examples are:

Little Peter Rabbit- [Little Peter Rabbit | Nursery Rhymes + Kids Songs | A2Z Animation - YouTube](#)

One Little Finger- [One Little Finger | Eli Kids Songs & Nursery Rhymes - YouTube](#)

A Sailor Went To Sea- [A Sailor Went To Sea | Kids Songs | Super Simple Songs - YouTube](#)

Writing

As our topic for this half term is materials, children in Reception can try to write simple sentences to describe some of the everyday material. Children can be encouraged to do this by using their phonics knowledge to help them write words. Some examples of sentences are:

The metal is strong.

The fabric is soft.

The boat is fast.

Children in Nursery can draw or mark make objects made from some of the everyday materials. As an extra challenge, children can be encouraged to label the objects they have drawn with its initial sounds.



Summer 1 Homework Menu

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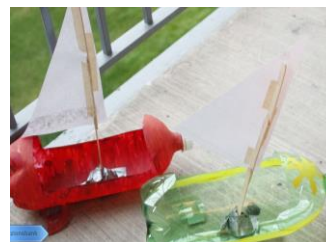
This terms topic is:

Materials

This half term we will be focusing on materials and their properties.

This will include using material to build houses and test its effectiveness. We will also be exploring and measuring the effects of floating and sinking by making our own boats.

Getting Creative



As we are focusing on materials and their proprieties, children can get creative by making models out of different types of material. This could include, making vehicles out of cardboards boxes or creating boats using plastic bottles.

Understanding the world

All the children could walk around their house with an adult to explore and identify everyday materials. While walking around and identifying materials, encourage the children to describe and talk about the materials they have found. This could include vocabulary such as: hard, soft, transparent, waterproof, metal, fabric, wood, plastic, strong.

Managing ourselves and Fine Motor

It is a really important skill to be able to do up buttons or zips, please keep practicing this at home, so the children can get themselves ready for outdoor play and home time.

Can you practise your fine motor? This might include, using a knife and fork, zipping your coat, getting dressed, tying your laces independently or even practising your name.

This half term in PSHE, we will be focusing on 'Being my Best'. Please talk to the children about healthy choices and activities as well as working cooperatively with others when faced with a challenge.

We will continue to focus on oral health so please continue to have regular discussions with the children about the importance of oral hygiene and healthy food choices.

Story telling

Please can all reception children read 5 times a week at home. Reading at home really helps children to increase their confidence on the skills they are developing in school each day. Children are also in with a chance to win a new story book if they read 5 times in the week.

Comprehension is a really important skill for all children, so if you are sharing a story together, make sure you talk about the story together, please see some questions below:

What did you enjoy about the story?

What was your favourite part?

What do you think will happen next in the story?