

Home Learning in Reception Week beginning 18th May

Hello Reception,

I hope you are well and keeping busy. Here are some new activities for this week.

Literacy

Listen to 'The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse' on bbc school radio

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/audio-stories-the-town-mouse-and-the-country-mouse/zvmhxyc> or you can find the story on Twinkl or You tube.

Can you list the things the mice saw in the country and in the town?

Can you write some sentences to say what happens in the story?

There is the story and pictures in the 3rd pack if you have it, but you can do the challenge without the pack.

For phonics can you go on Espresso – Foundation – Literacy – phonics – Polly's Phonics – Activities – Polly's Challenges (at the bottom of the page) – Spelling High-frequency words

Mathematics

This week we are looking at weight and capacity.

Weight - Provide your child with objects of different weight. Ask them which they think may be heavier and lighter. Allow the children to explore the objects. Make them use links in predicting i.e. if the banana is heavier than the pencil and a tin is heavier than the banana, will the pencil be lighter or heavier than the tin? (Try to make sure some bigger things are the lighter item as often children believe bigger means heavier and are surprised when it isn't always.)

You could make some balance scales with a coat hanger and attach tubs to each end. Explore which toys are heavier by putting a toy in each side of the balance scales.



Use a small equal sized toy like a domino and use these as a counter to measure how heavy some small toys are by putting the toy in one side and putting the 'counters' in the other side until it balances. Can you find a heavier toy? Can you find a lighter toy?

Capacity - Collect different sized containers. Use a 'counter' toy or a food such as dried pasta to compare how much the containers hold.

In the bath or with a large container of water outside on a warm day play with filling and emptying the containers. Use the vocabulary full, half full, empty.

Use different sized spoons to fill a container. Count the spoonfuls. Which spoon needed more, and which needed fewer?

Provide a small box like a matchbox. Go on a hunt outside to find different items such as the prettiest leaf, the smallest pebble, something yellow.

Topic work

Find out about animals that live in a jungle and rainforests. Watch the video 'New Jungle Wildlife discovered' on espresso and the videos on wild animals in the Animal Resource box – Wild animals.

- Have a go at the 'Sorting living things' activity and put the things in the correct environments.
- Write a list of animals you may see in the jungle or rainforest. Are these the same as on a farm?
- Draw some wild animals and write a label. Be careful to get the colours right and remember to draw bodies and the right number of legs.



It will be the half term holidays for the next 2 week so I won't be setting new work but to keep busy don't forget to look at books, draw pictures, write notes, play board games, play role-play games such as making your own café or shop, exercise outside especially if it is nice (Remember sun cream if it is hot like last week) and have lots and lots of fun.

Take care,

Mrs Wright and Miss Parker