

Learning Project Weeks 1 and 2 - My Family

Age Range: Reception

Weekly Maths Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)

- Watch a Numberblocks clip on Cbeebies. Use the guides available on the website to do some number work based on the episodes.
- Complete some tasks on [Numbots](#) – individual log in details are available below.
- Practise counting up to and back from 20. This can be done through playing hide and seek, singing number songs, chanting, board games etc.
- Practise writing the numbers 0 - 20, focusing on correct number formation.
- Practise recognising amounts up to 10. This can be done by reading a dice when playing board games, playing with cards, identifying how many food items on the plate etc.

Weekly Reading Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)

- Read a variety of books at home. Favourites can be repeated. Hearing the patterns of language in a story will support your child's language development.
- Children to read to parents daily. Visit Oxford Owl for free eBooks that link to your child's book band. Complete the linked Play activities for each book. Details below.
- With any book, when you have finished reading it, ask your child what happen, ask them to explain it to you. They might want to draw a picture about what happened.
- With your child, look in magazines, newspapers and books for the tricky words they are currently learning. They could use a highlighter to highlight in magazines and newspapers.
- In the environment ask children to use phonics knowledge to identify words around them.

Weekly Phonics Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)

- Daily phonics - Practice the sounds on the sound mat and blend words. This can be oral blending (e.g. spoken out loud ch-o-p). Try writing some too.
- Play phonics bingo. Split a sheet of paper into parts and write words/sounds/tricky words into each section and cross them out as you play.
- Pick a sound from your sound mat and write a list of words using that sound. Play against someone else and see who can get the most words!
- Go on a sound hunt in your house, the park, your bedroom etc and see how many different sounds you can spot.
- Watch an episode of 'Alphablocks' and practise saying and writing words using the sounds from the episode.

Weekly Writing Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)

- Draw a picture of yourself or someone in your family and label them using your phonics knowledge.
- Write a story – remember think about who the story the story is about, where it happens and what happens.
- Find a picture in a newspaper or magazine, add labels to it to describe what is happening.
- Practice forming the letters of the alphabet. Follow the formation sheet that's included.
- Practise writing your tricky words, you might do this; in the air, on paper, using different colours, in the bubbles of the bath etc.
- Play ball games, do small jigsaws, use scissors, build with Lego, paint, draw and write- all of these will help develop your child's fine motor skills and help them with pencil control.

Learning Project - to be done throughout the week

The project this week aims to provide opportunities for your child to gain a better understanding of their own family. Learning may focus on what different makeup of families, what traditions your family has, stories linked to your family etc.

- **Look at a selection of family photographs** and discuss the changes over time.

- Show your child a photograph of them as a baby, a 1 year old, a 2 year old etc. What could they do at that age? What can they do now that they couldn't do then?
 - Look at a picture of a family member as a baby (this could be parents, siblings). Discuss how everyone was a baby once.
 - Are there any black and white photographs? Why are these photographs black and white? Do they show older family members when they were younger? Talk about how life was different then.
 - Pick a favourite picture and do a painting or drawing to recreate it.
- **Draw a family tree-** How does your family link together? Can your child draw out their family members and link them together using lines?
 - **Have a family picnic.** Lay out a blanket in the living room or garden. Can children make sure everyone has a plate, fork, spoon, cup? How many do we need all together? Give your child a selection of food and ask them to share it fairly between everyone? If there is one left over what could we do? Make some labels for the food you're having so everyone knows what is available.
 - **Put on a show or performance-** Perform a story or song to your family. Plan out costumes and props, write a list so you know what you need to gather. Make a poster to give everyone the information about your poster, or a booklet with all the show information in.
 - **Lay the table for your family for dinner-** How many people are there? How many knives, forks, cups do you need? Write out name cards for everyone in your family to show them where to sit. Write a menu to let them know what is for dinner that night. Roleplay as a waiter/ waitress. What would everyone like in their sandwiches for lunch? What drinks would everyone like to have with their dinner?
 - **Make a birthday card for the next family birthday-** How old are they going to be? Can they write the numerals to show the correct age? Write a message inside for your family member and sign it with your name.
 - **What jobs do the people in your family do?** Talk to your child about your job and what you do. What would they like to be when they grow up? Can they draw a picture of themselves in the job they would like to do? Can they write a sentence to go with their picture? Can they write a story about a day in the life of this job.
 - **Play a family board game-** Play a game together. Talk about taking it in turns and playing fairly. Dice games will support your child's number recognition. You could use a spinner with numerals on to help develop numeral recognition. If you don't have a spinner you could make one using an old cereal box and a split pin. Or why not try making your own board game to play with each other.

Additional learning resources parents may wish to engage with

The below are websites which are free, or are offering free subscriptions during the period of school closures. Please use these to when looking for additional learning opportunities.

Classroom Secrets Learning Packs - These packs are split into different year groups and include activities linked to reading, writing, maths and practical ideas you can do around the home.

Twinkl - to access these resources click on the link and sign up using your own email address and creating your own password. Use the offer code UKTWINKLHELPS.

Headteacherchat - This is a blog that has links to various learning platforms. Lots of these are free to access.

Phonics play – There are lots of free phonics games and activities available here.

Phonics hero - Go to www.phonicshero.com and enter the log in details

Number bots – Go to <https://play.numbots.com/#/account/school-login/7451> and enter log in details

Oxford owl free eBook library – Lots of books to read together, with activities to do afterwards.

www.imoves.com/the-imovement - This website is full of quick blast and brain break activities for