

Learning Project Weeks 3 and 4 - The area you live in

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.
- Send your child on a sound hunt around the house. Can they find and record all of the items that make sounds? (e.g. hairdryer, TV, fridge, microwave, phone)

Weekly Writing Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)

- Design your dream house. What rooms would you like to have in your house? Encourage children to be as imaginative as they can (e.g. a cinema room, a chocolate room). Can they label their house using their phonics knowledge?
- 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 learn more about the area in which they live. Learning may focus on your local area, famous people, key landmarks and links to your city.

- **The rooms in my house-**
 - Gather an object from each room and challenge your child to return them to the appropriate room e.g. toothbrush from the bathroom, teddy from their bedroom. Can they write instructions telling someone else how and where to return the item to?
 - Hide objects around the room and describe where it is e.g. "it's under something red" Can your child hide an object and describe where it is for you to find? Can they write some hints for a treasure hunt to help find the item?
- **Go on a numeral hunt-**
 - Search for numerals around the house (clocks, books, house numbers, car registrations, oven, washing machine). Can they record the numerals on paper? Can they find one more or one less than the number they have found? Can they double the number or share it between two people? What about between more people?
- **Junk model your house-**
 - Using old packaging (shoe box, cereal box etc.) support your child to make a model of your house. Can they count how many windows there are and stick on the right amount? Can they write their house number on the front?
 - Junk model your dream house. Use materials from around your house to decorate e.g. old wallpaper, fabric, wool.
 - Can they make labels for each room? Or an information booklet about their dream house as if they were selling it?
- **Go on a shape hunt-**
 - Set your child a shape finding challenge around the house. Ask: Can you find a triangle/ square/ rectangle/ circle in this room? How many can you find? Can you draw all of the circles on one piece of paper, triangles on another etc.
 - Can the label the shapes with information about them e.g. how many sides, corners etc.
 - Can they use items from around the house to create a shape robot, monster etc.
- **Use construction blocks to build your house-**
 - Using lego, duplo, wooden blocks make a model of your house. Can they add in the rooms and doors in the right places? Write labels to match each room on pieces of paper.
 - Build your dream house out of construction blocks.

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