

# The Winchester School Family Learning Newsletter (FS 2) – December 2022



Area of learning	Focus	Home activities/How can you help your child at home	Useful website
Communication and Language	Listening and attention. Shows variability in listening behaviour; may move around and fiddle but still be listening or sit still but not absorbed by activity.	Encourage your child to listen to different sounds around the house, in the play area, in the mall, etc.  Talk about why it is important to pay attention when others are speaking. Use sand timers to help extend concentration and to focus their attention on a task.	Listening and understanding.
	Understanding Understands questions such as who; why; when; where and how.	Encourage your child to listen carefully to the story.  Share stories without books. Let them tell you their own stories.  Ask them questions that will demonstrate their understanding. For example, why do you think this happened? Where is the family? Etc.	The Five W's Song  WHAT? WHY? WHERE? WHO?
	Speaking:		
	Uses language to imagine and recreate roles and experiences in play situations.	Encourage your child to enact any story they have learnt or any of their favourite stories.  Join in Role-Play, encourage your child to enact the story and talk about it. Develop language skills through structured and unstructured discussions linked to books.  Encourage your child to use vocabulary – settings, characters, the beginning, middle and end of the story.	ggd78025074 www.gograph.com

# **Prime Area** Personal, Social and Emotional Development **Physical Development**

### Making Relationships:

Is proactive in seeking adult support and able to articulate their wants and needs.

**Encourage** your child to take part in extracurricular activities with friends. For instance, to interact with others and participate in a play date, Model for your child how to talk confidently to others, showing enough confidence to initiate ideas for, e.g., seeking assistance or verifying information. Arrange a play date with their friends.



the <u>Choosing resources for</u> chosen activities.

#### Sense of Self:

Shows confidence in choosing resources and perseverance in carrying out a chosen activity.

Allow your child to choose appropriate resources for completing the given task. Involve your child in drawing or taking photographs of favourite activities or places. Give time for your child to pursue their play and learning without interruption, to complete activities such as role play, construction, building dens and painting to their satisfaction, and describe their individual preferences and opinions.

**Feelings Emotions song** 



#### **Understanding emotions:**

Understands their own and other people's feelings, offering empathy and comfort.

**Encourage** your child to think about issues from the viewpoint of others. Make time to listen to your child respectfully and explain to him or her why this is important. **Encourage** your child to conduct a self-analysis and make a list of the things that bother them. for example, when someone takes their toy without asking or **if** someone tears their story book. **Talk** about how they are going to solve these problems.

#### Moving and handling

Handles tools, objects, construction and malleable materials safely and with increasing control and intention.

**Talk** to them safety is an important factor in handling tools, equipment and materials, and have sensible rules for everybody to follow. Show them encourage them to follow the same with increasing control and intention.

Safety
A Kid in the Kitchen

#### Health and self-care:

Describes a range of different food textures and tastes when cooking and notices changes when they are combined or exposed to hot and cold temperatures. **Encourage** them to be the part of your cooking time. Plan simple recipes with them and help them in cooking. Let them be the leader and talk with them about tastes when cooking and let them notices changes when they are combined or exposed to hot and cold temperatures.



#### Specific Area Literacy

#### Reading

Begins to read some high frequency words, and to use developing knowledge of letters and sounds to read simple phonically decodable words and simple sentences.

#### **Stories**

Chicken Licken

#### Writing:

Enjoys creating texts to communicate meaning for an increasingly wide range of purposes, such as making greetings cards, tickets, lists, invitations and creating their own stories and books with images and sometimes with words, in print and digital formats.

Jolly Phonics: Letters: I, f, b

Recap of Letters: c, k, e, h, r, m, d, g, o, u,

I, f, b

Introduction of tricky words: the, has,

can, had, his, am, and, me

**Encourage** your child to practice high frequency words daily. Demonstrate using phonics as a strategy to decode words. Provide varied texts, including decodable texts, and encourage your child to use all their skills including their phonic knowledge to practice reading with skills and knowledge

Help your child to identify the main events in a story and to enact stories, for example in their imaginative play. Provide story boards and props that support him or her to talk about a story's characters and sequences of events.

**Encourage** your child to create text using word banks, notebooks, clipboards, posits, and other writing resources for both indoor and outdoor play. **Talk** to your child about the letters that represent the sounds they hear at the beginning of their own names and other familiar words. **Encourage** them to make greeting cards for their grandparents, to create tickets to travel by plane during the winter holidays, and to make invitations to invite friends to their birthday party or New Year's Eve party.

**Encourage** your child to look for objects with the letter sounds I, f and b. Ask them to read simple words by sounding out the letter sound and blending them to make simple words like a fan, gun, bag etc. Find rhyming words and alliterations for words.

**Encourage** your child to explore tricky words through games and songs.

#### High frequency words



#### Chicken Licken



#### Simple sentences



#### **Reading words**



#### Mathematics

#### Composition

Measures

In practical activities, adds one and subtract one with numbers to 10.

Enjoys tackling problems involving

to fairness and accuracy.

prediction and discussion of comparisons of

length, weight or capacity, paying attention

**Talk** about and practice addition means counting forward. E g. to add 2 more apples in to a basket where already 3 apples are makes 5.

**Encourage** to practice mental math 2and 1 more is 3with your child. Encourage to solve and record a word problem ex. I had 2 candies and my father gave me one more, how many altogether, 2+1=3 Help to write a recipe of making strawberry cake, How many eggs-4 How many cups of water 2, How many fresh strawberries 10....

**Encourage** your child to play games where they can compare the weight of two different things. You can ask them which is light and which one is heavy? eg. ball or stone. Pencil or marker. Which is heavy?

**Show** them 3 different glasses one full of water another half full and third empty. Talk about the capacity and can use the vocabulary like: full, half and empty.



1 more and 1 less







## Understanding the World

#### People and communities

Knows that other children do not always enjoy the same things, and is sensitive to this.

#### The world

Looks closely at similarities, differences, patterns and changes.

Help your child to see the ways in which their cultures and beliefs are similar, sharing and discussing practices, resources, celebrations and experiences.

Go to a nearest park or play area and ask your child to look carefully and when you come home.

**Encourage** your child to draw a map together and explain to you. Look at different picked leaves, how are they same? What is different? Look at different flowers-look for similarities and difference- how many petals, smells, do they grow in bunches? **Encourage** your child to record a video spending a day in a park, beach, amusement park, etc.





Expressive Art and Design	Creating with materials:		
	Expresses and communicates working theories, feelings and understandings using a range of art forms, e.g. movement, dance, drama, music and the visual arts.  Being imaginative and expressive: Plays cooperatively as part of a group to create, develop and act out an imaginary idea or narrative.	Encourage your child to choose a script and let them create props, wear costumes and enact the play with music. Let your child take the lead and initiate dance steps that all others need to follow. Let them express their feelings and emotions through music.  Play fictional characters in pretend settings and encourage your child to act out their own original stories, using language from other contexts thus developing an understanding of story structure.  Encourage your child to narrate the story in their own words.	

### **Coming Up Events**

Winter Break- Sunday, 12th December to Thursday, 30th December 2021 Term 2 begins- Sunday, 2nd January 202

