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Family Learning Newsletter (Foundation Stage2)-April 2024



Area of Learning	Focus	Home Activities / How can you help your child at Home	Useful website
Prime Area Communication and Language	Listening and attention: Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding. Understanding: Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently introduced vocabulary.	Setup a family movie night with a DIY movie ticket and healthy movie snacks. Encourage your child to make comments about the characters, or setting. Ask questions to help them understand the story or the concepts presented in the movie. Encourage your child to share their thoughts about the story by asking open-ended questions. For example, "What was your favorite part of the story?" or Can you tell me what happened at the beginning of the story? How can we change the ending of the story? Narrate stories to your child Encourage them to illustrate the story in their own words using new vocabulary. Can they sequence the story correctly? Can they retell the story in their own words? Can they give a new title and ending to the story?	<u>Listening skills</u>
	Speaking: Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences including the use of past, present and future tense. (this is not in Sow we have added)	Encourage your child to talk about how they have enjoyed their weekend or spring break. Encourage your child to tell a story, plan out a schedule, give a series of directions in writing and make sure your child uses past, present and future tense.	Developing Speaking

Prime Area Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Building relationships: Form positive attachments to adults and friendships with peers.	Support your child in communicating openly and confidently with others, including adults to seek help or verify information. Encourage your child to play together with their siblings or a small group of friends. For example- Play some board Games: Board Games require players to take turns, follow rules and cooperate with each other to achieve a goal. You can play Snakes and Ladders, Ludo etc	Benefit of playing board game
	Understanding emotions: Show an understanding of their own feelings and those of others, and begin to regulate their behavior accordingly.	Talk to your child about emotional understanding, problem- solving, and anger management. Engage them in a talk to think about when they were playing with a toy, and their friend or sibling took it from them. How did they feel, and how did they react?	
	Managing Self: Explain the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly.	Encourage your child and read books with stories about characters that follow or break rules, and the effects of their behavior on others. Model the golden rules which they have to follow in their daily life and Talk about the reason to follow them and their consequence.	
Physical Development	Moving and handling : Negotiate space and obstacles safely with consideration for themselves and others.	Encourage your child to practice some new skills, such as hopping, walking on tiptoe or going backward. Ensure your child is physically active for at least three hours every day. Set up an obstacle course at home. Encourage your child to move with controlled effort, and model the use of vocabulary in a context such as strong, firm, gentle, heavy, stretch, reach, tense and floppy	Moving and Handing
	Managing Self: Show understanding of the need for safety when tackling new challenge and considers manage risks by taking independent actions by giving verbal warning.	Encourage your child to understand the need for safety while tackling new challenge. For eg. While playing in a play area one child notices a slippery surface and takes independent action informing verbally to his friends about the slipperiness that can cause any risk. Demonstrates safety acts while playing or doing any other activity with children.	

Specific Area	Reading	Share and read words and simple books. Provide varied texts	
Literacy	Read words consistent with their phonic knowledge by sound blending.	and encourage your child to use all their skills including their phonic knowledge to decode words. Encourage your child to find out complex words using dictionaries and newspapers. Provide varied texts and encourage your child to use all his/her skills including their	Owl Babies – Martin Wadell
	 Stories Owl Babies – Martin Wadell 	phonic knowledge to decode	Whatever Next – Jill
	 Whatever Next – Jill Murphy Papa Please get the moon for me – Eric Carle 	Share and read books and information about day and night animals, stars and planets. Ask them to share their opinions about living in space. Encourage your child to make up their own stories looking at Picture books or books with simple words and sentences.	Murphy Whatever Next!
	Writing: Spells words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter. Write simple	Provide a range of opportunities to write for different purposes	Papa Please get the moon for me – Eric Carle
	phrases and sentences that can be read by others.	about things that interest them. Provide word banks, notebooks, clipboards, posits and other writing resources for both indoor and outdoor play. Encourage your child to write High Frequency words and frame sentences for them. Make story books and encourage them to	Papa, please get the moon for me
	Jolly Phonics Recap of s, a, t, i, p, n, c/k, e, h, r, m, d, g, o, u, f, l, b sounds. Blending consonant, vowel,	share with friends or read to them. Provide a range of opportunities to write for different purposes about things that interest your child.	BYREE
	consonant (CVC) words for reading and writing. Recap of tricky words will, when, why which, what.	Encourage your child to write the words by sounding out. Find things with the letter sound of letters s, a, t, p, i n - c /k, e, h, r, m, d, g, o, u, f,l, b. Find the sounds in books and magazines and highlight the words. Practice writing and reading High Frequency words by look say, cover, write and check. Model and Encourage your child to read simple words by sounding	
		out the letter sounds and blending them to make simple words.	

Mathematics	Numerical patterns	Help your child to understand that five fingers on each hand	Mathematical Skill
	Explore and represent patterns	make a total of ten fingers altogether, or that two rows of	
	within numbers up to 10, including	three eggs in the box make six eggs altogether.	
	evens and odds, double facts and	Encourage your child to make up their own story problems	
	how quantities can be distributed	for other children to solve.	
	equally.	Encourage them to use counters. Keep counters on a table	
		within easy reach. Position the whiteboard near the mirror	
		and write the symbols required for two number sentences.	
		Now practice both ways of writing a double number	
		sentence.	
		Talk to your child about doubling like if one car has 4 wheels	
		how many wheels 2 cars will have. Try and solve doubling	
		problems using day to day objects.	
	Measure		
	Beginning to experience	Encourage your child to measure time with timers to help	
	measuring time with a timer.	them understand the passing of time. This can be done through	
		various fun and interactive activities that involve the use of the	
		timers, such as the Timer Challenge- Provide your child with a	
		sand timer and challenge them to complete a task before the	
		timer goes off. For example, see how many blocks they can	
		stack, or how many times they can jump rope.	
Understanding	The Natural World	Collect and share pictures of spaceship, and astronaut. Look for	
the World	Explore the natural world around	more information about space and the moon. Talk about the	Phases of moon
	them, making observations and	phases of the moon and make a picture booklet.	
	drawing pictures of animals and	Encourage your child to talk about day and night animals,	
	plants.	people who works during day and night.	
		Encourage your child to see the ways in which their cultures	
	People and communities	and beliefs are similar, sharing and discussing practices,	
	Know some similarities and	resources, celebrations and experiences. Share stories that	
	differences between different	reflect the diversity of children's experiences.	
	religious and cultural communities		
	in this country, drawing on their		
	experiences and what has been		
	read in class.		

		Encourage your child to utilise the computer for playing games,	
	Completes a simple program on	finding stories, searching for pictures/images, and completing	
	electric devices	activities.	
		Encourage them to engage in completing simple programs on	
		devices, such as solving addition and subtraction sums on an	
		iPad or matching phonetic words with corresponding pictures.	
Expressive	Creating with materials:	Go on a nature walk gather thing like twigs leaves of different	Five senses walk
Art and Design	Safely use and explore a variety of	colors shapes, stones, barks branch etc.	
Ū.	materials, tools and techniques,	Encourage your child to create something from all that was	
	experimenting with color, design,	collected and talk and share ideas. E.g. make a photo frame	
	texture, form and function.	with branches tied up, make a butterfly, make a bouquet of	
		flowers with leaves etc.	
	Being imaginative and expressive:	Encourage your child to narrate their own story using their	
	Invent, adapt and recount	skills and explore concepts and ideas through their	
	narratives and stories with peers	representations.	
	and their teacher.		
Coming Up Events-			
Pyjama Party –	Thursday, 18 th April 2	2024 🗾 🎽 📩 🖈	
Earth Day –	Monday, 22 nd April 2	024	
Fire Drill (Whole Schoo	ol) Friday, 26 th April 2024		Coming
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