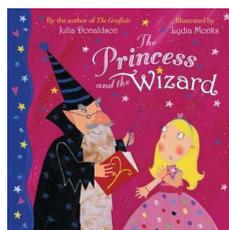


Nursery Learning Pack – Week 10 (22/6/2020) Summer Term

Hi guys, I am missing you all so much, here are some ideas, activities and games to share at home. In nursery we do lots of independent learning as well as adult directed learning, its important children get to work on some of their own ideas because they will have loads. I think it is also important to remember children at this age and stage of development will have a shorter attention span than older children when working on adult directed learning. I would only expect children to stay on task for around 15-20 minutes at one time. Little and often is the key, also revisiting and adapting games and activities. Some revisiting is good if children have challenged their skills and thinking. Have fun and enjoy learning and spending time together.

This week we are going to think about Princesses and Wizards



Here is a story to start us off.

The Princess and the Wizard

https://youtu.be/x8wPFHlua_A

This story is about a princess who is captured by a wizard and how she disguises herself so he can't find her. What would you change yourself into to hide from a wizard? Did the wizard give the princess nice things to do or horrid things to do? Think of the things you don't like doing.

Reading every day

Choose a story the children like to read with you and explore it in more detail. Take time to talk about the characters, who do they remind children of? How do children think they might be feeling? Where the story is set, is it now or a long time ago? Is it in a city or the countryside? Look closely at the illustrations do you notice anything new?

Reading task

Do you have any stories about dragons or princesses and princes? The foundation for reading is language - telling stories and talking about past events are really important literacy skills. Can you remember all the colours in the story? Think about different things to match the colours. Can you think of animals that match the colours? Talk about your favourite part of the story. What did you like? What could you see?

Writing every day

Writing is important and children in nursery are at lots of different stages of writing, some are making marks and giving them meaning. This is an important stage of writing development, take time to listen to what children are saying about their marks. Some children are ready to draw pictures to represent their feeling, thoughts and stories. Again, show lots of interest in this. Some children might be doing pretend writing, again this is important at this point, you could say, 'oh let me show you how I write that', and

model some simple words. Most importantly have fun, remembering they might only stay focused for 10 - 15 minutes - this is okay - stop and come back to it later, or another day.

Have a go most days to write or make marks. This can be colouring in too. This is a nice calm activity. It is also nice to have plain paper so children can develop their own ideas too.

Writing task – make a ‘help’ sign

In the story the wizard captures the princess and hides her in his castle. If she could she would write a letter asking someone to help her escape.

Write a letter or make a sign that asks for help.

Remember to say where you are so people know where to come to.



Maths every day

Maths is everywhere so when children are playing independently you could add some mathematical ideas. Explore shapes, not only their name, but some properties of shapes. For example, how many corners has that shape got? Do they fit together without any gaps? You can make number problems anywhere. We had 3 bowls of ice cream, daddy took one away, how many have we got left? There are lots of skills involved in counting. Counting by rote, counting how many you have, matching an amount to a number. The children will be at different stages of their mathematical journey. It is really important children understand the value of a number, they need to explore the ‘Three-ness of 3’. It would be great if children know and understand numbers to 10 when they start Reception. Some children will already know this, so work on teen numbers if they are ready. Also, adding one more or taking one away. Again, have fun with numbers and shapes.

Maths task – sorting and matching



The poor princess had to sort and mend all of the wizard's socks.

Can you find all your socks and put them into matching pairs?

When you find two socks the same they are called a pair.

You could make this into a game.

Have two piles of socks.

Choose one sock from the first pile (with your eyes open)

Now close your eyes and choose a sock from the second pile. If the socks match you can keep the pair.

How many pairs did you collect?

Good luck!

Topic challenge

Make some camouflage pictures.

Camouflage means you are hidden in the background so no-one can see you just like the princess in the story.

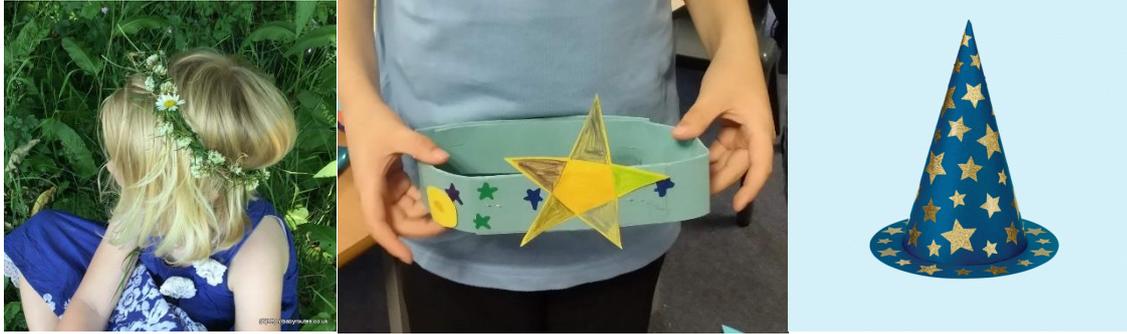
Choose the colour of an animal. Make a background for it in the same colours. Now make your animal and place it on the background.

Take a photo and see if anyone can see your animal.



Take a photo and send it to fs@carfield.sheffield.sch.uk so we can see it.

Making challenge – A wizard hat or a crown



Decide which hat you want to make.

What will you use to make it?

Perhaps you could go out in the garden and collect petals and leaves for you crown.

Perhaps it will have beautiful sparkly jewels on it.

Maybe you could draw some moons and stars for a wizard's hat.

Self-help and life skills challenge

How are children getting on with getting dressed by themselves - this is a big task to do it all at once, maybe break it down.

- I. Start with putting PJs on.
- II. Once this is easy, try putting underwear on with t-shirts and jumper.
- III. Trousers, socks, tights could be the next target.
- IV. Finally socks and shoes. They are hard and need lots of practice.

A new skill to begin to learn is using a knife and fork. Holding both at the same time and holding food with a fork and cutting it with a knife.

Physical and quiet time

An action song from the Learning Station – Move and Freeze

<https://youtu.be/388Q44ReOWE>

Peace out. Wiggleflop. I hope you enjoy this time as much as I do. Peace Out.

https://youtu.be/zPZmD3x4_Nc

The most important thing is to enjoy spending time together whatever it is you are doing. If you can, share your ideas on Twitter, I know others will love to see what you up to.

Missing you all, have fun and I will see you all soon. Suzanne x