

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Play games with family for example what's the time Mr Wolf.
Experiment with new resources such as gloop play.
Teach children about your values and why they are important

Language and Communication

Role play cafes, doctors and shops.
Use fabrics to create dressing up.
Play sound games.
Talk as much as you can modelling language with your child.
Show children how to ask questions and be curious.
Play with sand and water.
Make gloop and add small world like animals etc.
Create a feely wall with different textures, blindfold and feel and discuss what you feel.

Physical Development

Make your own and play with play dough, adding various scents to it.
To play dough play add shells, sticks, cupcake cases, gems, animals, stones.
Play hide and seek outside.
Musical statues with a twist - Play their favourite music, ask them to clap and dance to the music listening to the beat, when the music stop strike a pose and freeze.

Literacy

Put paint into clear plastic sealed bags for mark making.
Trays of sand for mark making.
Read to your child every day, make storytelling special for example in a den or by fairy lights.

Home Learning Challenges Nursery - Spring Term

Phonics

Nature walk – Explain you will be listening for sounds, in a woodland area which is safe. Listen in wonder and ask open questions starting with what, where, how, why, when... Model writing on the clipboard the sounds you can hear and encourage children to draw pictures if appropriate.

Read a rhyming book – Pause just before you say the rhyming word to see if they can shout it out, anything will go.

Tongue twisters – Give yourself a name with a tongue twister i.e. Silly, special, sunshiney Sam! Help your child to come up with theirs. Use their tongue twister name when calling out their name going forward.

Expressive Art and Design

Finger painting with paper and card – use flour water and food colouring.
Colour mixing in a big tray – hand printing – foot printing.
Paint printing with objects including cars with wheels.
Play with coloured ice in a big tray.

Mathematical Development

Loose part play.
Counting in board games aimed at nursery age.
Play with pretend money in role play.
Shape sorting.
Create a weather chart.

Understanding the World

Go on a bug hunt, ticking off anything you find.
Look at books about different cultures and discuss.
Celebrate the world's celebrations and cook authentic meals relating to the celebrations.
Do a blindfolded food tasting test and talk about similarities and differences.