

Curiosity Corner Nursery

Autumn Home Learning Challenges



If you try out any of our home learning challenges we would love to see them. Please share with us via Seesaw

Communication and Language

Play listening games such as 'Simon Says'.

Go on an Autumn Walk! Look for Autumn colours and listen to the sounds of Autumn. Collect leaves, conkers and sticks to make a memory wand when your home! These new words will extend vocabulary.

Take a magnifying glass to investigate all the living things on you walk. This will encourage lots of questions!

Play a game where children have to describe where you have hidden the object. E.g. Hedgehog is under the table. Hedgehog is next to the tree. Make sure you speak in a full sentence!

Read your favourite book, talk about it and retell the story.

Have a teddy bears picnic and share a book together.

Understanding the World

Share photographs of you and your family. Make a time capsule to add memories too.

Go on an Autumn Walk! Discuss the signs of Autumn and extend your vocabulary. What can you see? What can you smell? Take lots of photos!

Talk about hibernating animals and we can keep them safe in the cold months.

Personal, social and emotional

Carry out small tasks like tidying toys away, matching socks out of the washing machine and helping to wash the pots.

Play games that need turn taking like Pairs, Snap or I Spy.

Practise breathing exercises to help you feel calm.

Go on you Autumn Walk. When you feel confident and comfortable, visit museums, theatres and the library!

Talk about our feelings and how we can be kind to our friends.

Physical Development

Make a flag or streamers and wave it in the air using big body movements.

Build an obstacle course using a mixture of natural resources.

Draw a track using chalk and follow it using your bike!

Remember to concentrate on balancing as move.

Find conkers and pick them up with tweezers!

Practice your cutting skills by carefully cutting up leaves for a picture!

Draw letters using a stick in the mud.

Practice the tricky task of putting on your coat and zipping it up!



Literacy

Notice familiar signs and logo's and see if you can read them. Notice that print has meaning.

Read stories using props. 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' is great for re-enacting an Autumn Walk and becoming a character from the book! (Remember to read your story from right to left and start at the top of the page!)

Can you notice the features of the book? Who is the author? Where is the blurb?

Write a list of things you find on your Autumn Walk!

Practise writing/mark making your name using a stick in the mud!

Sing Nursery rhymes. Please see our favourites under Nursery documents on our class page.

Expressive Art and Design

Collect objects, materials and different textures on your Autumn Walk to make an owl or hedgehog picture.

Mix colours using sticks! Then paint the leaves and print them.

Build a house using natural materials for a hedgehog to live.

Paint an Autumn picture using the colours you noticed on your Autumn Walk.

Use conkers and pinecones in pretend play to mix and bake!

Make and construct an Autumn memory stick using natural resources from your walk and use it in your pretend play!

Mathematical Development

Collect lots of natural objects on your Autumn Walk. Put your objects in to groups and count how many you found. Which group had the most?

Which stick was the longest? Shortest?

Which stone was the heaviest? Lightest?

Take photos of patterns you've found on your walk.

What can you build using all the natural resources you've found!

Roll out the conkers and see if you can recognise objects up to 3!

See if you can tell your adult what you have done today, in the right order!

Phonics

I Spy – Put small objects in a clear bottle and fill it with rice. Find an object and say the initial sound!

Pass the Bag – Put some previously learnt sounds inside a bag, pull out a sound and say it! (To the tune of 'row, row, row your boat'.

Sound Sort – Place some objects on a table and group the objects that start with the same sound.

Magnet Letters – Use magnetic letters to spell a word such as 'at'.

Autumn Walk – Play the game 'I went on an Autumn Walk and I saw...' using a bag and objects.

Each item must be recalled in order.

