Home Learning Menu: Summer

Communication & Language Practise in play

This activity is all about letting your child take the lead. It isn't always the case that we truly allow our child to guide the decisions that we make, but it can be hugely exciting for a child to feel in control of the direction that their day takes. Why not try handing over the reins to your child the next time you go out to the beach?

Let your child know that they are in charge and that you will follow their lead. 'Where are we heading today?' Try to be as flexible as possible and build excitement by using words like 'adventure' or 'expedition'! You might want to tell a few tall tales to fuel the imagination...'I once saw shipwreck in that sand!'. Try to be playful and if at all possible keep your phone away so that you can fully engage with your child.

Ideally choose a time when you are not in a rush so that you can go at your child's pace - your walk might throw up opportunities for introducing some new language or be the starting point for a story you might write together when you get back home.

The most important thing is that everyone has fun!



Personal, Social & Emotional Development

Show us how do you look after your teeth?

How do you look after you skin in the summertime? Show us how you use sun cream and sunglasses to protect your body.

Physical Development

Can you run, swim, go to gymnastics? Can you hang, slide or swing? Show us all of you moves! Photos on Tapestry please.

Expressive Arts and Design

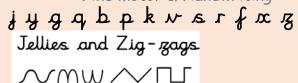
Building sandcastles at the beach or in a sandbox. Have fun adding water to make the walls stronger. Make up stories and add other materials you may find like shells and stones.



Bring in or use Tapestry to share everything you do, so that we can celebrate our learning in class.

Physical Development

Fine motor & Handwriting



Loopies and Waves

Literacy

Each week enjoy your
- Phonics sheet

- Reading for pleasure (fun) book
 - Guided Reading book
 - Practise forming patterns

Mathematics

Pebbles are a great resource for thinking about quantity, size, texture and colour!

Why not head out to the beach, the woods, your local park or even your back garden to see how many you can find? How about you take your spade to see if you can find any that are hidden under the sand/mud? Sieves and colanders are fun too for washing your stones (especially in the sea!).

Once you are home you can count how many you have found or find a container that will fit them all in! You could sort them into different sizes and colours or use them to play with your diggers!

Can you build a pebble tower? Or roll the round ones down a ramp?

How about using a felt tip to give them faces? Or make up a story about where they've been and what they've seen? Use your imagination and the possibilities are endless!

Understanding the World

Can you find out about shipwrecks? What are they?

How does a SATNAV work? Set you SATNAV for the beach and notice what you see along the way? Rivers, Islands, mountains and hills...

How do you gain direction or know where you are going?

