

Early Years Learning at Home Newsletter

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Welcome

To the ninth edition of our Early Years Newsletter with resources and ideas to help you to support your parents with learning at home.

This is the last Learning at Home Newsletter in this format and is a bumper edition with resource cards and spotter sheets to keep families busy over the summer.

From September this information will be sent out half termly and will be called Learning at Home - Parents Behaving Powerfully. Each resource for you to share with parents will continue to have simple, fun activities which can be easily recreated at home. To continue our focus on social mobility supporting vulnerable parents, all resource cards will have a strong element of communication and language and will always contain focus vocabulary to support parents with interactions.

Ideas to Share with Parents

The resource cards this week are all linked with the same theme, within each one the activities are interwoven and the cards can be used separately or all together.

The author Tony Ross reads his book *I don't want to wash my hands* from the Little Princess series.

<u>Throwing -</u> exploring how to make things to throw (safely) and fun games and activities to use them.

Junk Modelling - ideas for resources and items to collect to have some fun junk modelling time.

Water Play - simple activities to support water play at home.

Nursery Rhymes, The Big ship Sails - a selection of rhymes, stories and activities exploring boats.

Nursery Rhymes, I Hear Thunder - a selection of rhymes, stories and activities exploring the weather.

<u>Creativity Outside</u> - a selection of fun activities to support parents to explore creativity with children.

<u>Bird Watching</u> - linking action songs, story time and craft activities to bird spotting.

Early Listening Skills Activities 1 - going on a listening walk, hidden sounds, listening for sound patterns and guessing what's in box?

Early Listening Skills Activities 2 - pretending you are going to the zoo, Simon Say's, musical games and ideas for sound matching.

Spotter Sheets

Mini Beast Spotter - can you use this to spot the little creatures outside that help our gardens flourish?

Bird Spotter - can you spot all the different birds in your area?

<u>Numbers and Letters Spotter</u> - finding letters, numbers, symbols and words in the local environment.

