

GREENHILL ACADEMY PRESCHOOL

HOME LEARNING IDEAS Pack 4 -11th January 2021

There are lots of resources, tips and ideas to try at home- here are some of our favourites!

- BBC -TINY HAPPY PEOPLE -Tips for parents and activities to try with your child at home and support your child's communication skills.
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>
- The BOOKTRUST website – This is full of ideas for families based on reading stories, rhymes and songs. Please share books at home with your child regularly, as it is an important tool for language development- spoken language, understanding and listening and attention.

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/>

This week: We will be learning about the story of **The Gingerbread Man**

Communication and Language: Stories and rhymes

PLEASE WATCH THE GINGERBREAD MAN STORY ON SEESAW:

[The Gingerbread Man | Fairy Tale read by Miranda Gore-Browne | Story Time - YouTube](#)

Talk about what the characters are doing. Use lots of language about running fast and repeat the rhyming phrases the ginger bread man says.

SEESAW ACTIVITIES

- Use the Can You Find poster to ask you child to find the different objects and ask some questions about it.
- Can you look at the action photo's, ask your child what they are doing-running, crying, sitting, sleeping etc.

Favourite pre-school songs- the children love to join in with these songs at school

JUMP: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kcQJDpj5TSY>

SHAKE: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I5RUzkySseE>

Family finger: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bvNT6UfyP6w>

One little finger: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eBVqcTEC3zQ>

Wind the bobbin up: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gMx1RX-qZNU>

Wheels on the bus: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0peZ5AN5vs8>

Heads shoulders knees and toes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bp-rWsBplUU>

Maths:

- Count with your children whenever you can focusing on numbers 1-10.
Here is a link to one of our favourite counting songs:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=85M1yxlcHpw>

PLEASE USE THE COUNTING ACTIVITY ON SEESAW:

- Count the Gingerbread man's buttons – how many can you count?
- Memory game:

Collect 4 small objects with your child that they know such as a spoon, car, cup, doll/teddy from around the house and place them. Then name each one as you lay them on a tray or table and cover them with a tea towel.

Then ask them to not look (close eyes) whilst you remove an object from the tray. Ask your child to open their eyes and guess what's missing. Add that object back and repeat by moving a different object each time.

Expressive Arts and Design:

SEESAW ACTIVITY

- Have fun decorating/colouring the gingerbread man. - How can you decorate it?

Personal and Social development:

- Read the story again together. Can you make different voices for the characters and repeat some of the phrases such as "run, run as fast as you can you can't catch me I'm the Gingerbread man!"

Physical Development:

SEESAW ACTIVITY :

Stay active!

Fast and slow- encourage your child to follow the actions and join in with the fast and slow action songs.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-HLjxcrgiPg>

Can you make some dough by mixing flour and water together and try to make your own gingerbread man? **(Please be very careful not to get dough on the carpet at home, as it is very tricky to remove!)**

Playdough is a good activity for children to help their development in many ways. Here are some of the benefits:

- It helps to develop strength in their hands/fingers which helps when using tools and writing with pencils. It can also help with hand/eye coordination.
- It is a sensory activity and can be very calming- there is also no right or wrong way to do it. You can add scents such as lavender or lemon.
- It can help build a child's imagination as they get creative and talk about what they are making.

Don't forget! We love seeing your home learning. You can always take a photo and email to school or tweet us! We are looking forward to seeing what you have been up to.

If you need any support, please contact school and we can get you some help.

Mrs Msahli, Miss Khatun and Miss Islam.