

Silver class – ideas for continuing learning at home

Below are some of our favourite activities, some activities we have been doing recently and suggestions of skills that could be practised at home.

- Calendar – find the date each day on a calendar, use the chat sheet provided to find the symbol for the day. We use the following songs in class
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mXMofxtDPUQ>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fe9bnYRzFvk>
- Daily Hi 5 – each day we have a boogie for 5 to 10 minutes. We use a mixture of action, pop and dance songs. Some of our favourites
<https://www.youtube.com/user/GoNoodleGames>
<https://www.youtube.com/user/TheLearningStation>
<https://www.youtube.com/user/KidzBopKids>
https://www.youtube.com/results?sp=mAEB&search_query=just+dance
- Shape matching games, finding shapes around the home, discussing the number of sides and corners of each shape, shape games online
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/early-years/shape-monsters>
- Using weights and measures in everyday activities – weighing ingredients, comparing sizes of clothes when sorting laundry, sorting toys by height, length, weight etc.
- Counting games, ordering numbers, finding one more/ less than. Dice games to encourage recognition of dice patterns.
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/3-5-years/counting>
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/ordering>
- Reading a story together or listening to one online. Pause and ask questions/discuss the text – what is a character doing? What can you see? What might happen next? How many can you find in the picture? You can borrow e-books for the library or look for stories online if needed.
<https://yourlibrary.edinburgh.gov.uk/web/arena>
<https://www.google.com/search?q=free+books+online+for+children&ie=&oe=>
- Practising letter/ word recognition and formation – looking for a given letter in a simple text, word games, spelling games, writing letters in flour, looking for writing on packets etc.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BELIZKpi1Zs>
<https://www.doorwayonline.org.uk/literacy/>
- Sentence building – we have been using colourful semantics similar to those found here
<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/who-what-doing-what-where-colourful-semantics-cut-up-sentences-activity-t-s-2547180>
- Maisie’s diary – as a class we have been learning about Maisie the cat. We have been out looking at where Maisie lives (Morningside) and taken Maisie on the bus to see different Edinburgh landmarks. I will send the mini Maisie that each pupil has made home. You could make a diary of

the activities that Maisie does and take pictures to show others. I will be doing this for the class Maisie and would love to keep in touch to let you know what she gets up to.

You can find some Maisie stories here

https://www.google.com/search?safe=active&bih=783&biw=1600&hl=en-US&tbm=vid&ei=uE9yXpf6IPilk74PI8eP4AM&q=maisie+mac&oq=maisie+mac&gs_l=psy-ab.3..0l2j0i5i30k1.1764.4235.0.4591.10.10.0.0.0.0.95.859.10.10.0....0...1c.1.64.psy-ab..0.10.857...0i8i30k1j0i10k1.0.tJ8AgPi-YDl



- Everyday skills we have been practising in class – spreading butter, jam etc on toast (some pupils find it easier to use the back of a spoon to do this), cutting up food, folding clothes, dressing/undressing, hanging up clothes, brushing our hair, washing our face in front of a mirror, washing our hands thoroughly, brushing our teeth, making a drink

Some useful websites, many of which are offering free subscriptions or home learning resources just now can be found on the following page.

<http://www.amazingeducationalresources.com/>