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Hi all,

We are still missing you lots as the weeks are passing but hope that you are keeping safe and well. We are really looking forward to seeing you all again! Very soon hopefully!

A Message for the Children

We hope you are all having fun completing the activities/challenges we sent you to complete at home. We have really enjoyed seeing all your creations that you have sent to us and I can see all the wonderful learning you are doing at home, especially writing your name, number and letter formations and your Easter cakes looked delicious! We would love you to continue sending in any of your creations and achievements to our email address at nursery@lower-farm.walsall.sch.uk. They may even be displayed on our school website!!

A Message for the Grown Ups

We have added a further list of fun activities that you can do at home but please do not feel that you need to do them all, they are just ideas and there if you need them. These can be accessed on the Lower Farm school website under class work and scroll down to Nursery. The home learning sheets are titled:

- How do you know how people feel?
- How do different colours make you feel?
- How do you stay safe in Summer?
- Who do you visit to help you?
- What number did you roll on the dice?
- Can you follow instructions blindfolded?
- What is your favourite food?
- Can you make an ice lolly?

Please keep reading to your child, story time develops early literacy skills and fosters a love of language and books, it encourages children to make connections between the stories and the world around them. It also helps increase their attention span and provides young children with the opportunity to snuggle up next to you while you read to them.

Carry on singing nursery/number rhymes and songs with your child/children. Counting songs help to develop a familiarity with number sounds and words in a way that is fun and interesting to your child. Songs such as 'When Goldilocks Went to The House of The Bears' also introduces the





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concept of scale, size, and order. Familiarity with counting songs provides the foundation for crucial numeracy skills and awareness. Try some of these number rhymes below:

- When Goldilocks Went to The House of The Bears
- Ten in a Bed, Ten Green Bottles
- Five Little Speckled Frogs
- Five Little Men in a Flying Saucer
- Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed
- One, two, three, four, five, once I caught a fish alive
- Five currant buns in a baker's shop
- Zoom, zoom, zoom, we're going to the Moon

I am sure the children will show you how to join in! These can all be accessed on You Tube.

Please continue to support your child/children to count beyond 20 and recognise and write their numbers. Being able to write their name would also be beneficial before they begin reception. This does not have to be just pencil and paper, you could try engaging in sensory experiences using materials such as shaving foam, sand, and paint. Also continue to access the jolly phonics songs on You Tube and enjoy playing the phase 1 and 2 phonic games that we suggested in the Easter letter.

We have also attached a link below 'Getting Ready for School' which gives helpful hints on how you can support and prepare your child/children when starting school. It describes the skills children will be working on as they start school. These skills will help your child/children settle into school life.

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/school-readiness-poster-t-tp-69735>

We look forward to staying in touch and if you do have any further queries then please do not hesitate to email us and we will get back to you. Furthermore, please stay active as much as you can. Going for a daily walk with your family, riding bikes and scooters and playing in the garden can help our minds as well as keep our bodies healthy.

We miss you all! Love, Miss Davis and Miss Pomroy

