

3TS Home Learning Ideas

Fine Motor and Sensory Skills

- Clip house pegs onto items/photographs or onto string
- Trace lower case letters of the alphabet with a finger, pen or paintbrush
- Thread beads/pasta shapes onto a lace/pipe cleaner
- Duplo/Lego tower building
- Pop bubble wrap
- Make marks in sand/paint/flour
- Bury items in soil/sand/flour and find them
- Finger painting using paint/icing sugar paint
- Make and play with playdough (recipe and instructions for No-cook playdough below)
- Make ice cubes and shapes with plastic toys in – pupils can chip away at the ice to find the toys/creatures
- Add rice/small pasta shapes/semolina/lentils to paint and create pictures using textured paint
- Create shakers using empty bottles/plastic containers and play musical instruments
- Blow bubbles and pop with fingers/straws

English

- Watch the film Coco and talk about the story
- Describe one of the characters from Coco – you may wish to draw the character and write adjectives around the outside
- Research and create a fact file about an Ofrenda for Day of the Dead
- Phase 3 and Phase 5 activities which can be accessed through Twinkl who are providing a free month for all parents and carers: www.twinkl.com
- Add capital letters and full stops to missing punctuation sentences, some helpful sheets can once again be found on Twinkl www.twinkl.com
- Write a letter to a member of the family, and if possible, post it to them
- Read any books/comics/magazines/instructions/packages interested in
- Participate in the Sensory Story ideas listed below, activities are linked to Charlie and the Chocolate factory and online songs

Sensory Story: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

How Do You song

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CIK0rHbOhnQ&list=PLFa4K2hqpFvfig7s6vJca-9h4PGAnxBRA>

Golden Ticket song <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vLouyLxCgcY>

Hide tickets/pieces of card or paper in tray filled with pasta/sand/flour/semolina/rice – find the tickets.

Oompa Loompa song <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rcWPqxCweuU>

Shake homemade shaker/tambourine/rattle to the song.

Bubbles scene https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YD-3vE_R7p8

Adult to blow bubbles whilst video plays.

Pure Imagination <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SVi3-PrQ0pY>

Mix and pour water into jugs.

Chokolatte <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IFWysdCgVNg>

Make playdough balls and place in small dishes.

Goodbye song <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0LDArAJf7-c>

Eat piece of chocolate.

Maths

- Refer to times, looking at hands on the clock, to start/finish activities and time taken in minutes
- Practical reading of scales: amounts of liquids/solids such as flour/rice/pasta/semolina in measuring jugs, weights etc.
- Practice number bonds to 20: adding to make 20, subtracting from 20 – use practical resources to help: pasta, bricks, cars, books, pencils etc
- Price items to create a shop and practice using money to buy the items and calculate the amount of change
- Compare the size/weight/height of different items
- Listen to, and join in with number songs online:
 - 10 little dinosaurs <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TjmGTbNLj6Q>
 - 5 little speckled frogs <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VQTVrxj4l6o>
 - Count to 100 (actions and counting)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0TgLf3PMOc>

Other Activities

- Cooking – practice life skills, pouring and tipping, following instructions, weighing and measuring, timing etc
- Gardening – plant seeds/seedlings and care for them, you might like to keep a diary of what happens. You could grow cress seeds/beans inside the house which grow very quickly
- Nature watch – keep a diary of the animals/birds you see each day in your garden/from your window
- Physical activity, try the free PE lessons provided by Joe Wicks every morning at 9am, Monday to Friday, search Joe Wicks PE on YouTube
- Activities linked to our current topic 'Day of the Dead', some activity suggestions can be found via this link <https://www.buzzfeed.com/morganshanahan/41-dia-de-los-muertos-activities-for-the-whole-family>

Follow the instructions on this sheet to make your own playdough
– no cooking or hot water required!



No-Cook Playdough



Ingredients

2 cups plain flour
1 cup salt
1 tbsp oil
1 cup cold water
2 drops liquid food
colouring
– any colour of
your choosing

Method

1. Mix the flour and salt together in a large mixing bowl.
2. Add the cold water, oil and drops of food colouring and mix together.
3. When your ingredients are well mixed, take them out of your bowl and place your dough onto a flat surface, such as greaseproof paper.
4. Knead vigorously for a few minutes, until your dough feels like playdough and all of the stickiness has gone.

What is kneading?

This is when you press, massage, squeeze and fold your dough.

If your dough is too wet, add a little extra flour and carry on kneading.

If your dough is too dry and crumbly, add an extra drop of cold water and carry on kneading.

Make sure you add any extra ingredients a little bit at a time.