



Elsworth Pre-School Newsletter w/c 6th July 2020

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Last week...

The children have used puppets to retell *The Gingerbread Man*, they had listened so intently to the story that they could retell most of the story together as a team with our story tray with very little support from us!

The children have shown us how amazingly creative they are through the images they have created with our loose parts. We had volcanoes, flowers and some chose to extend it beyond pictures to make musical shakers with additional resources they selected independently.

This week is science week...

This week we will be exploring science! We have three exciting science experiments for the children to take part in including volcanoes, marbled milk and the Mentos eruption! We will be looking at making predictions, observing what happens and why that might be, as well as making conclusions. You could support this at home too, by doing the skittle experiment. Talk about what they think will happen, talk about what they can see changing and explain why it is doing it and discuss what happened compared to what they thought would happen.

We will also be learning number songs to support our counting including 10 green bottles that the children can knock down as they sing the song. Counting backwards as well as forwards can support children's fluency with number and we will include zero too.

If you are not returning to Pre-School at the moment we are still here for you, we can arrange a zoom call, you can email us at anytime and also phone us at Pre-School during the week too. Look out for the new virtual stories and activities available each Friday!

Blue Peter have a summer challenge that could give your child some fun weekly challenges to keep them occupied at home:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/six-badges-of-summer>

Book of the Week

Our book of the week will be *Oliver's Vegetables*. We will be exploring vegetables using our senses and talking about how we stay healthy. Join in at home

too: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2yvllKqyVUc>

Please can all children have sun lotion applied in the morning as well as clothing appropriate for the weather.

Sound and Number of the Week

The sound of the week is 'v'

The number of the week is 10

Please don't bring in show and tell. We will be making 'v' silly soup and singing 10 green bottles. If you find things at home for the sound or number of the week, please send us a photo.

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Personal, Social & Emotional Development.

In our book of the week Oliver tries new things. What does it feel like to try new things? How did you feel after you had given it a go?

Give it a go
or you'll
never know!

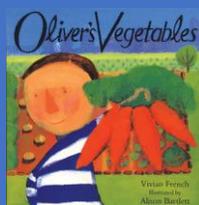
Literacy

Explore our sound of the week: What begins with the sound v? What does it look like (lowercase unless it's to start a name)? Go on a sound hunt, what can you find?

v

Communication & Language

Listen to our story of the week, what was your favourite part? Talk about the story and ask your child some questions about what happened to develop their understanding.



A week of
learning
through
play.

Maths

Explore our number of the week: 10. Maybe you could sing 10 green bottles with props, or 1,2,3,4,5 once I caught a fish alive... what other number songs do you know?

10

Physical Development

Try some Lego challenges! Building with small grips is fantastic for developing fine motor skills. Here are some lego challenge cards to get you going:



<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t-t-11551-lego-building-challenge-cards>

Understanding the world

Can you carry out the skittle experiment? Predict what you think will happen to the skittles when the water is added? Were you right? What happens to the 's' on the skittles?



Expressive Arts and Design

Add different things to paint, such as sand or rice, to create different textures. Make a textured painting and talk about your masterpiece.

