



# Elsworth Pre-School Newsletter w/c 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020

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## The Adventures of Paddington!

We hope you are well and are enjoying some additional time outside, maybe even with some new locations, whilst maintaining social distancing. Your very own Paddington may have arrived through the post or will do in the next few days. Please take him on your walks and take a photo of you with him somewhere different each time, maybe even with a marmalade sandwich! We would love to see your photos with him and of course please tell us how far you have walked so that together, our Pre-School family can get to Paddington Station and back! Our fund raising email explains everything about our Paddington walk fundraiser so we can all have a shared experience whilst we are apart and raise much needed funds for Pre-School.

We are currently finalising plans to return to Pre-School in a way that is safe for everybody and we will be in contact as soon as this is complete. We understand that this is a time of great uncertainty and our Pre-School families may have concerns and anxieties over what a return to Pre-School may look like. If you have questions or concerns please do get in touch once we have shared our intentions with you next week.

We have shared a new set of virtual stories and activities with you on YouTube, why not have a look! There are some fabulous resources and ideas for activities at home, we have added one that we thought was rather good and may be of help to you.

<http://www.stran.ac.uk/ideas-for-active-minds/>



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**Personal, Social & Emotional Development.**

Paddington travelled a long way on his own, how do you think he felt? Who would you like to travel with? What would you take?



**Literacy**

Paddington finds a pop-up book about London for his Aunt Lucy. Make a picture book, make up a new Paddington adventure and tell it to someone.



**Communication & Language**

Play a game of 'Who am I?' Use pictures of the Paddington characters and give each other clues about who they are by describing them.



**Maths**

Paddington loves his hat. Can you find some hats around your home and put them in size order? Who might wear a tiny hat and who might wear a big hat?



A week of learning through Paddington play.

**Physical Development**

Take your Paddington on a walk and tell us how far you have been. Can you count your steps? Can you move like a bear?



**Understanding the world**

Paddington came from Peru. Find Peru on a map. Can you find anything out about Peru? What is it like? How is different to England?



**Expressive Arts and Design**

Make a Paddington out of a toilet roll and some fabric or paper.

