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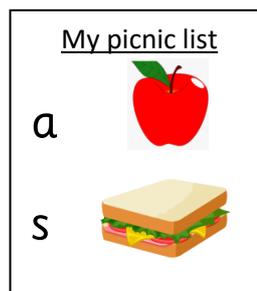
Dear Nursery,

This week we are thinking about picnics.

Can you make a picnic for your toys? It doesn't have to be a teddy bear picnic it can be any of your favourite toys. Put a blanket on the floor and ask Mummy or Daddy if you can have some cups and plates for your toys.

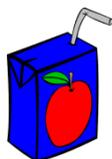


Maybe Mummy or Daddy will let you have a real picnic. You could have a picnic inside or in the garden or at the park. Can you think about what you would like to eat or what you would feed your toys? Make a list.



Draw a picture and Mummy or Daddy could write the letter for you that it begins with ie a for apple.

You might want something cool to eat when you are having a picnic. You could make your own ice lolly. All you need is:



Small cup or an ice cube tray

Juice

Lollipop stick or small spoon

Put the juice in the cup or ice cube tray. Put the spoon or stick in the juice. Put it in the freezer. What happens to the juice? Why did it happen? What happens when you take the ice lolly out of the freezer? Why? Try and use some of these words:

Freeze

Melting

Changed

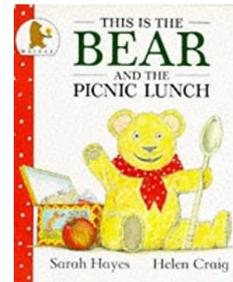
The same

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We think you will like the story 'This is the bear and the picnic lunch' by Sarah Hayes

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sug-BImdDS8>



We would like you to try and measure your teddy bears or toys. You can use blocks or if you don't have blocks you could try pasta or pencils or anything else you have lots of at home and isn't too big.



Count the blocks or whatever you have used?

Can you write the number?

How tall is your toy?

Can you measure some of your other toys?

What is your tallest toy?

What is your shortest toy?

You might like the song 'If you go down to the woods today' all about the teddy bears having a picnic.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6S\\_eKvc2PgQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6S_eKvc2PgQ)



## Scissor Skills

Learning to use scissors is part of our curriculum and helps to strengthen your child's hand ready for writing. Here are some tips to help your child with scissors.



Remind your child that their thumb needs to be at the top when they are cutting. You could draw a face on their thumb or put a sticker to remind them.

- Make sure the scissors are being held correctly. At school scissors with a red handle are for children who are right handed and scissors with a green and yellow handle are for left-handed children.

Right- handed scissors



Left-handed scissors



- Children begin cutting by firstly learning to snip. To start with it is easier for children to snip pieces of card, thick paper or even play dough.



- Next children move to cutting across a short piece of paper,



- Children then move on to cutting along a line across a longer piece of paper



- Then cutting around shapes including curved lines and circles.



- Children who are struggling with scissors will benefit from doing other simple activities with their fingers ie tearing paper, using tweezers, using pegs, playing with finger puppets.

Here are some useful videos about scissor skills:

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/video-pre-writing-activities-using-scissors>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lvN3iTnBzbg>

Do you remember doing Yoga at Nursery? Ask your family to follow the link below to find 'Yoga Time'. You can learn lots of new yoga poses as part of a story. It is really fun and very good exercise.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YKmRB2Z3g2s>



Ask your Mummy and Daddy to follow the link below to go to the BBC School Radio. There are lots of fun activities and songs for you to listen to and they will really help to improve your listening skills.



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/eyfs-listen-and-play-scrumptious-sandwiches-and-delicious-drinks/zfwwcqt>

Follow the link to the Espresso website:

[https://central.espresso.co.uk/espresso/primary\\_uk/home/index.html](https://central.espresso.co.uk/espresso/primary_uk/home/index.html)



Remember when you go to the page you need to click on login and click on Espresso then add the username and password below:

Username: student 23112      Password: grange

Don't forget to try out the activities on Purple Mash

<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/gp-infant>



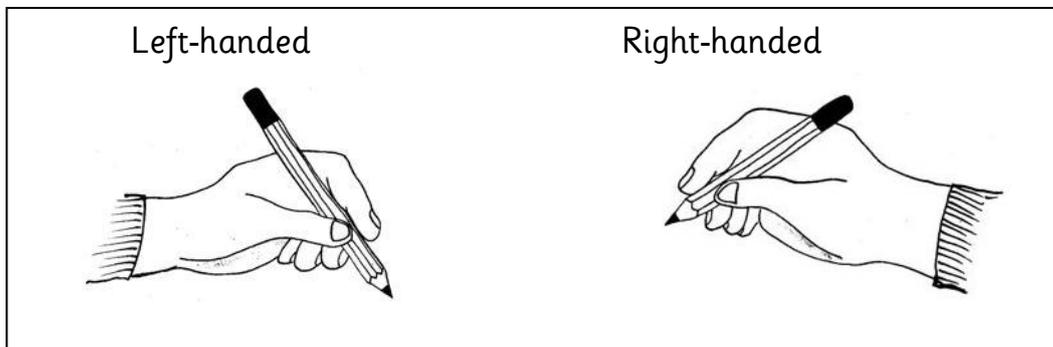
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## Everyday Activities for Nursery

Remember to try and hold your pencils correctly when you are drawing and colouring



If you can draw the lines and shapes below it will mean you will find it easier to copy and then write letters.

**PRE-WRITING SHAPES**

Before your child can learn to write, he or she needs to be able to draw these shapes

 2 years	 2½ years	 3 years	 3½-4 years	
 4 years	 4½ years	 4½ years	 4 years 11 months	 5 years 3 months

 Children who can draw an oblique cross are able to copy more letters and numbers than children who cannot

Don't forget to use 'Get Squiggling letters' on the CBeebies page to help you write your letters.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/games/get-squiggling-letters-mobile>

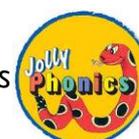


Remember to use the Alphablocks to help you learn your letters.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/alphablocks>



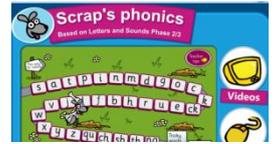
Join in singing the Jolly Phonic Songs to help you remember the letters



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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=26uXtUYssuo>

## Phonics on Espresso



[https://central.espresso.co.uk/espresso/primary\\_uk/subject/module/frontscreen/item61932/gradef/index.html](https://central.espresso.co.uk/espresso/primary_uk/subject/module/frontscreen/item61932/gradef/index.html)

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Remember to share a song or rhyme and a story each day.

### Book Trust

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/storybooks-and-games/>

### Cbeebies

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b00jdlm2/cbeebies-bedtime-stories>

# 123

- Use the number packs we gave you to work on your number targets. If you achieve your target just go on to higher numbers. Remember to count the cubes and the spots and match the numbers. You can use anything to count with at home, such as pencils, cars, bricks.



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks>

Numberblocks is a great programme on CBeebies each day at 7.00am. It might be a good idea to start from series 1 on BBC iPlayer or You Tube if you haven't seen any of the programmes before.

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Don't forget to keep fit. Have you tried Andy's Wild workouts on:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p06tmmvz>

