

Working Together to Extend your Child's Learning at Home

As we work in partnership with parents/carers we ask that you continue to enhance your child's learning and development at home over the coming weeks through sharing and exploring with some or all of the following activities which you can enjoy together:

Items added to YouTube -

[Auntie Jen reads Teddy Takes a Tumble](#)

[Fireman Sam - How to Safely Cross the Road](#)

[CBeebies Grown ups - Hoof and Safety Tips for crossing the road](#)

Activities to do:

- ☀️ Read your child the story 'Teddy Takes a Tumble' or follow the above link to watch Auntie Jen read it.
- ☀️ Talk to your child about road safety and the importance of holding a grown-up's hand and looking and listening. Watch the above Fireman Sam video and CBeebies Grown Ups to reinforce road safety.



- ☀️ Mix some washing up liquid with some sand in a large tray. Whisk it up until it is frothy. Encourage your child to explore the

texture and to use their hands and fingers to create marks and patterns.



- ☀️ Set up a small world road for your child to engage with, perhaps draw a road on some large paper or cut strips of paper that your child can create their own road system with. Draw a zebra crossing on the road. When your child is pushing the cars around and they get to the zebra crossing, encourage them to stop the cars to allow the people to cross the road.



- ☀️ Find a variety of different sized items around the house and talk to your child about which is longest and shortest. They could even have a go at ordering them by length, longest first and then the shortest last. If you have some small building blocks, they could place a row of blocks next to the item to measure how big it is. Lay them down and then count them to find out how many blocks long the item is.



- ☀ Follow the below link to find out how to play 'Traffic Lights' with your child. Encourage them to listen for the instruction. You could even try just showing them the colours on a picture instead of using your voice - they then have to look for the instruction instead of listen.

[How to play Traffic Lights](#)

- ☀ Follow the below link to a 60 Minute Nursery Rhyme Medley. Sing along and encourage your child to join in with the songs - including actions if there are any!

[60 Minute Nursery Rhyme Medley](#)

- ☀ Play alongside your child at an activity of their own choosing. As they play use the commenting approach (see below link) to give a running commentary of what they are doing. Continue to try to carry out the commenting approach with your child for approximately 10 minutes daily.

[An introduction to using the commenting approach with your child](#)

Below are some useful links that you may wish to browse to find other ideas for activities!

- ❖ [Better Health Start for Life - tips on helping your child to talk](#)
- ❖ [Activities for babies, toddlers and children - BBC Tiny Happy People](#)
- ❖ [Family Zone | National Literacy Trust](#)
- ❖ [Black Country Early Outcomes | Activities for under 5s](#)

[Activities for kids: Fun development and bonding ideas for babies, toddlers and pre-school children](#)