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Teaching Ideas

Dear Parents,

I hope you are all keeping safe. Below are some ideas for activities you could do with your children. Of course, we don't expect you to complete all of these activities – they are meant to be fun learning ideas that may help guide you in these unusual times.

We are missing all of the children very much!

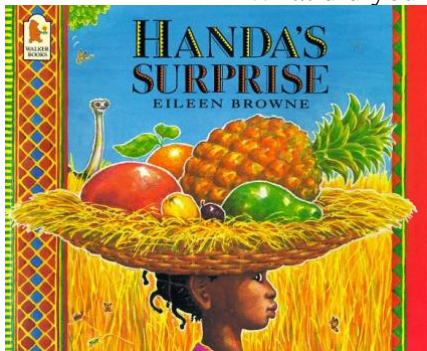
Please check in again next Monday for some new ideas.

Many thanks,

Mrs Slater, Miss Richardson and Miss Larkin

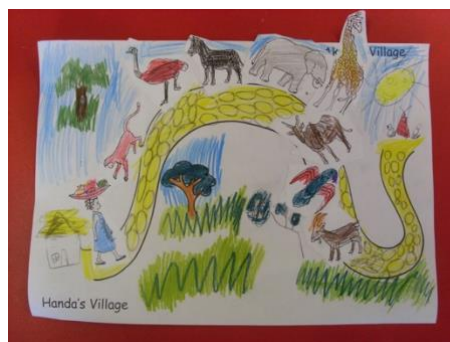
Activity 1 – Reading

- Lets read Handa's Surprise: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XyIV_xYi0as
- Talk about the story together:
 - What did you like about the story?



Activity 2 – Writing

- Can you write a list of all the vegetables in your house? You could even draw them!
- Make a story map retelling the story of Handa's Surprise. An example is shown below.



- Which is your favourite animal in the story? Why do you like this animal? Write down or draw your ideas.

Activity 3 – Crafts and Writing

- Make your own small world of Handa's Surprise.
- Label some of the fruits and animals you have put in it.



Activity 4 – Cooking

- Make a fruit salad using what you have in your house. Tinned fruit works well! Enjoy!

Activity 5 – Crafts and Physical Development

- Make your own necklace using dried pasta. You could paint them different colours.



Activity 6 – Mathematics – Counting and Ordering

- Count fruit and vegetables in a bowl.
- Put the fruit and vegetables in size order.
- How many pieces of fruit and vegetable would there be if there was one more?
- How many pieces of fruit and vegetable would be if there was one fewer?

Activity 7 – Mathematics – Counting Practise

- Take a cup and some coins. These must be identical but it doesn't matter what denomination they are. You need about ten.
- Ask your child to sit facing away from you and the cup.
- One at a time, drop coins into the cup.
- The child has to listen and count.
- When you stop, they must tell you how many coins are in the cup. (This is harder than it sounds!)
- Repeat several times. Can they be correct three times in a row?

Extension

- Drop coins into the cup as they count, eyes shut! Then, without showing them how many in the cup, show them that you are taking one out.
- How many now?

Activity 8 – Mathematics – Teamwork

- Play *Finger Sums*
 - You need three number cards: 6, 7 and 8
 - Make these numbers using fingers on both hands as shown on *Finger Sums* below.

Try these Fun-Time Extras

- Search for examples of 6 around your home. E.g. 6 eggs in a box, number 6 on the clock face, 6 mugs on the draining board... etc.
- Look for 7s. Are these harder to find?
- Make 7 fingers of toast and eat them with honey!

Activity 9 – Movement

- Balance something on your head; books, beanbags and cushions all work well.
- Can you work around your home balancing these on your head? How long can **YOU** keep it balanced on your head?
- Have a competition with your family – who can keep these objects balanced on their head the longest?