

FS2 Ideas to maintain and continue your child's development over the summer break from school.

Please do as much or as little as you have time for.

Write the letters correctly.



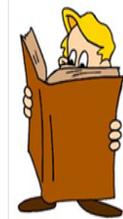
Say the word and sound it out.

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Capital letters

A

Full stops.



Finger Spaces



Interesting and detailed

Read it through, does it make sense?



A booklet to enable the partnership between parents/carers and staff at Bluecoat Church of England Primary School to develop the learning of our children.

Communication and language:

Practice listening to stories without pictures or prompts.

Talk about characters and events in stories and wonder about why things happen. Make up your own stories with certain objects or characters that have to be included; e.g. a bottle, a dragon, some blue noodles and a car. Can you invent your own family word games and silly rhymes to sing in the car on your journey?

Personal and social development:

Keep encouraging independence in solving age appropriate problems or situations, e.g. getting themselves dressed completely independently in the morning and helping you to make packed lunch for your trip away.

Continue to make it clear when children have made good behaviour and learning choices specifically naming what made it a good choice and carry on using the language of building learning power. E.g. Don't give up! Help your child listen to the ideas of others and take turns when in different social settings.

Physical development:

Make up your own dance routine to your favourite music and invent your own ball games. Practice controlling your pencil, stick or chalk as you write letters using the Bluecoat Script. As part of your daily life continue to speak about healthy food choices and how to take care of our bodies and minds through exercise, rest and creativity. Can you practise using your cutlery correctly, especially using a knife to cut food. Can you do some gardening with your family and use the tools for digging, raking and planting? Keep practising dressing and undressing independently, especially those fiddly buttons.

Reading:

Please find attached the words that your child has been learning to read this year and practise spelling these as well. Even words that can be sounded out on this list should be read by sight to aid fluency. Aim to read 2-3 times a week over the holidays. Children should aim to understand what they are reading about and be able to answer and locate information in the text. You can also visit the Torrington library and take part in the Reading Challenge.

Spelling:

Your child should also now be spelling most of the words attached. Practice putting them in sentences to write.

Writing:

See the star writer prompts on the back of this booklet to remind your child about the elements involved in producing a good piece of writing. Please refer to the previously sent home 'writers' booklet giving hints and suggestions as to how to support your child to become an independent writer. Most children are now writing on lines to help them manage the size of their writing. Aim for your child to write 2-3 times a week over the holidays, independently sounding out and using a wordbank not copy writing. They should be using their phonics knowledge to write words in ways which match how they sound. They should spell some tricky words from memory. They should write in a way that other people can read what they have written.

Maths:

Over the break, keep practising working with numbers to 20, 30 and beyond. Aim for your child to be counting reliably showing 1:1 correspondence to at least 20 and then beyond. They should be able to place number cards in order and say one more or less than a given number (out of sequence). Keep practising adding single digit numbers and then two digit numbers counting on and back on a number line to find the answer. Talk about doubling (practice some doubles facts by heart), halving and sharing objects. Practice counting in groups of 2s, 10s and then 5s.

Understanding the world and the arts:

Holidays often provide opportunities to explore your wider community, providing lots of varied learning opportunities. Become nature spotters on the Tarka trail, explore rock pools together at the beach and enjoy one of the many outdoor theatre events hosted by the Plough. Have a fun break! Thank you for your continued support.

Don't forget you can access Espresso website for various activities at home

http://10.130.72.6/espresso/primary_uk/home/index.html

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