# Hassocks Infant School Weekly information for Parents and Carers Weekly Overview

Year group: Reception Date w/c 08.6.20

Dear all.

Remember to use this week's home learning activities in whatever way suits you and your family, they are suggestions. We appreciate every family is different, but remember, you are doing a wonderful job – keeping them safe and happy. Don't underestimate the importance of play, so don't feel guilty if your children are spending more time playing than sitting still!

To make managing Tapestry a little easier, some parents have started to upload photos from each week all together, in one go. You can still add as many comments and questions in the box below, relating to the photos or just a few pertinent bits for some of the pictures that are not so self-explanatory. If you think that adding to your child's journal in this way would be easier and more manageable, use the short date and home learning as the title and then add in all the photos from the week in one. If, of course, you would like to keep uploading each separately, and it is working for you, then great, but know that this is possibly time saving option. We will still add feedback and responses, either way- we love seeing all the lovely things you are doing in any way!

We look forward to welcoming many of you back next week! We understand that some children will not be returning to school yet and we will continue to keep in touch with you via emails, Tapestry and our Keeping in Touch calls – though the frequency of these will vary. Please email in the meantime and if you need or want an additional call, let us know.

Please also take a look at the letter sent out by Mrs Smith this week with lots of signposts to support for wellbeing.

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Stay safe and happy!

Best wishes.

#### The Reception Team

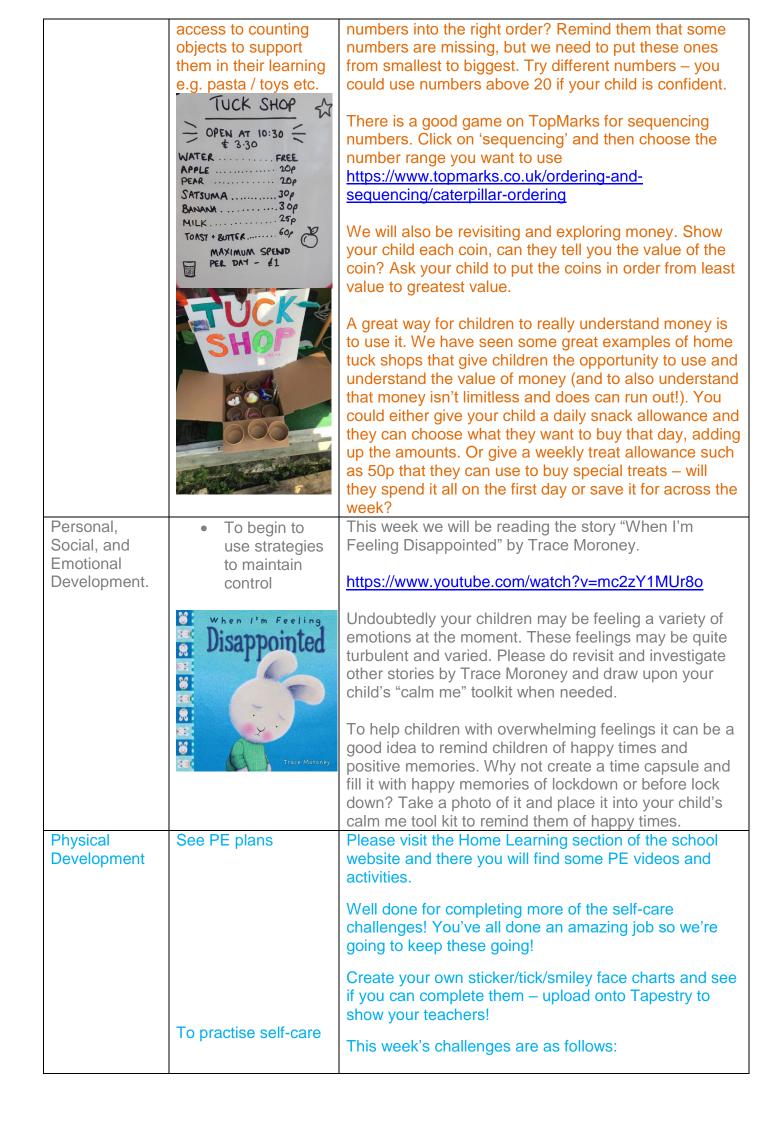
Area of learning	What are we learning?	Possible Activities
Communication & Language and Literacy (English)	<ul> <li>To make up a story</li> <li>To tell stories orally</li> <li>To write a story</li> </ul>	Last week we suggested coming up with and orally sharing your own stories. You may have included some interesting characters or exciting events. You may have used story language and exciting words. You may have used props or pictures to help you to tell your story!  This week we would like you to become authors! We would like you to have a go at writing your own stories. Remember, a story must include a beginning, a middle, and an end. You can use everything you have learnt about stories already to help you to write it. It could help

to use your pictures or story maps from last week to remind you of what comes next in your story. Watch the reading again of the 'Also an Octopus' book to help you if you need ideas. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4VYHc1t\_JYA It takes authors a long time to write their stories so don't expect to do it all in one sitting. You can keep coming back and adding new parts to it. When you're writing, it's a good idea to keep reading back what you have already written, this reminds you of what you have done and what needs to come next. Try to remember everything in the writing toolkit! **Imagination** Baby shark pen grip Say it out loud Listen to the sounds Use finger spaces Full stops and capital letters Remember your red words Read it back See below for different ways to make books with your This week we will be recapping our **Phonics** To count the New tricky words syllable work. Using whatever you to learn to read syllables in can find in the house, say and clap words Today, your, here the number of syllables in their name. Play with family member DON'T FORGET names, dinosaur names, keep practising food...anything! tricky word spellings! https://www.twinkl. Using items in a bag, words from co.uk/resource/t-lthe list below or pictures, say a 1887-spellingword, clap and count how many practise-charts syllables there are, draw a little line for each syllable, sound out and To read and Singing songs is a write each syllable, put them all great way to write together to write the whole word. polysyllabic practise reading and remembering words For an extra challenge this week, tricky words we would like you to have a go at have fun with applying the word in a sentence. some of these Choose a polysyllabic word, make up a sentence with that word in and https://www.bbc.c then have a go at writing. Can you o.uk/bitesize/topic count the words in your sentence to s/zvq9bdm/articles make sure you have written them al /zr728xs and it makes sense?

Again, we do **not** expect children to https://www.youtu be.com/watch?v=f spell the words correctly, but to write a phonetically plausible X3501d3pp8 attempt. For example; 'computer' Or play some might be written as com-pyoo-tu or games to keep com-pyoo-ter. Both of these are practise fun! good applications of the letters and sounds that the children have been https://earlyimpact taught and would be able to be learning.com/teac worked out phonetically to read the h-tricky-words/ word back. https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t-I-4210-i-can-read-phase-4polysyllabic-words-activity-sheet Mathematical To order Brilliant work team! Lovely to see so many on Tapestry Development numbers out of sharing their maths learning, keep it up! sequence In this teacher video we will: Celebrate the work uploaded onto Tapestry! To understand This week we will be looking in greater depth at the value of ordering numbers and beginning to look more at place money value. We have done lots of work this year on ordering To use money numbers in sequence. This could be putting the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 in order. This week we will be ordering numbers out of sequence. We follow a maths "mastery" approach Start by warming up children's number brains and and use some parts offering them a challenge – which is the biggest of the White Rose number in the picture below? Why do you think that? scheme. If you feel vour child eniovs a challenge they may want to check out the White Rose problems 32 of the day – complete the orange problems. https://whiterosemath s.com/resources/clas sroomresources/problems/ When looking on Twinkl, look out for maths mastery 20 100 activities. The pitch is, understandably, varied on Twinkl so Encourage them to talk about how they know that 100 you may find that is the biggest number and address misconceptions that Year 1 maths work is 3 is biggest because it is written the largest. suitable for your child, similarly there Now play some games involving ordering numbers out will be EYFS mastery of sequence. Choose 5 random numbers to 20 sheets that will also (possibly 4, 6, 9, 15, 17), write them on pieces out be suitable. Please

ensure children have

paper and mix up the order. Can the children put the



Challenge 1: Can you help to fold your clothes and put them away after they have been washed.

Challenge 2: Practise mindful eating. When you eat your snack/meal, can you be mindful about what you are eating. For 1 minute, try not to talk or think about anything else. Try to focus only on the food you are eating – what do it feel like in your mouth? What can you taste? How does it make you feel?

Understanding the World Expressive Arts and Design

- To explore floating and sinking
- To explore the properties of different materials

We hope you had fun last week exploring shadows! This week we are going to be exploring **floating** and **sinking** and we would like you to take part in some experiments!

Watch the <u>Teaching video</u> on the school website to learn more about floating and sinking.



We would now like you to take part in your own floating and sinking experiment! Fill up a washing up bowl or bucket with water and find a selection of items from around your house. You will also need paper and pens to record your predictions and results. Just like in the video, try to find different types of items, these could be different sizes or made from different materials. Make sure you check with your grown up that it is okay to test in the water!

Like Miss Batchelor, with any science experiment, it's important to make your predictions first! Think about the materials of the objects and what you already know about them!

To plan and create



Now that you have explored floating and sinking, we would like to challenge you to use what you have found out! Can you make your own boat out of junk modelling or materials in your house that will float on the water? As an extra challenge – see if it can hold a coin and stay floating!

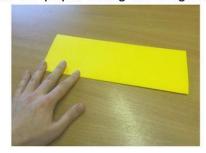


Any Other Information:

### The Zig Zag Book

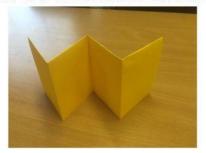
Take a sheet of A4/3 paper. Fold the paper along the long edge.





Fold the paper three times back and forth to make a concertina.





## The Hole Punched Book

Take several pieces of a paper and then fold them in half.





Punch holes down the folded side and then weave through string or ribbon.





### The Step Book

Take several pieces of a paper and over lap them. On the front page mark the half point.





Fold at the half mark using a ruler to get a crisp line. Then staple at the top.





### **Phonics guidance**

An outline of the structure of a phonics session at school is as follows:

- Start each time by singing the song of sounds and encouraging children to join in with the actions - Song of sounds song - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=48uf9I6P2xQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=48uf9I6P2xQ</a>
- Introduce the activity/skill by watching the TEACHER VIDEO on YouTube
- Go through some examples together to start. Make sure your child understands what they need to do.
- Give opportunity for your child to practise with more independence.
- Apply the skill through games and activities.
- To extend, use words in sentences provide children with some sentences to read with words that you have been working on.
- You could dictate sentences which include these words and a range of taught tricky red words, to help practise writing
- As a greater challenge; can children come up with and write their own sentences? Making these 'silly sentences' can make them a bit more fun!

### LIST OF MULTISYLLABLE WORDS

Compound words	Two Syllable Words	3 Syllable Words	4 Syllable Words
Birthday	Teacher	Butterfly	Alligator
Airplane	Rabbit	Elephant	Helicopter
Fireman	Paper	Computer	Caterpillar
Football	Cartoon	Umbrella	Watermelon
Pancake	Hamster	Fingerpaint	Macoroni
Popcorn	Table	Hamburger	
Bathtub	Pencil	Dinosaur	
Skateboard	Candy	Bicycle	
Cupcake	Slipper	Basketball	
Spaceship	Window	Broccoli	
Cowboy	Apple	Ladybug	
Snowflake	Monkey	Dishwasher	
Doghouse	Rocket	Strawberry	
Baseball	Ketchup	Bumblebee	
Toothbrush	Tiger	Potato	
Sidewalk	Glasses	Spaghetti	
Bedroom	Spider	Octopus	
Firetruck	Zebra	Ponytail	
Blackbird	Doctor	Telephone	
Playground	Magnet	Microwave	
Earring	Garden	Grassshopper	
Coughdrop	Number		
Doorbell	Napkin		
Classroom	Pocket		
Peanut	Necklace		
Railroad	Zipper		
Dollhouse	Winter		
Flashlight	Pumpkin		
	Jacket		