

Nursery Home Learning



Hello Nursery,

We hope you are all well, and that you have enjoyed last weeks home learning linked to the lovely "Lost And Found" story. We hope you enjoyed the daily skill development challenge tasks too, and thank you for your photos and messages about your learning. This week, we are looking at a book called "The Snail and The Whale" by Julia Donaldson, about a snail who comes to the rescue of a whale. Do not worry if you don't have a copy of the book. There is a you tube link too. Attached are activities linked to the story as usual.

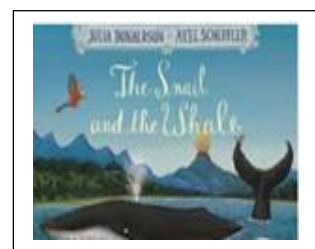
Daily Skill- Development Challenges

The daily learning tasks are linked to specific skills. They are a choice of tasks, and we ask that at least one of these is completed each day. These tasks are aimed at supporting your child to develop some specific skills which will help them when they return to Nursery. You can use the tick boxes to record when you complete a challenge.

We will be completing these tasks in Nursery with the key worker children, and we would love to see the things that you do at home. The children in Nursery would love to see what their friends are doing at home too.

We hope you enjoy your learning.

The Nursery Team.

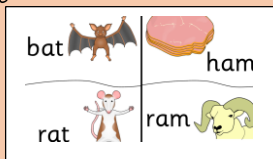


Year Group Nursery Home Learning Development Skills. Week beginning 6.7.20.

This week in Nursery, our focus skills are linked to:

Auditory Discrimination - Rhyming

Matching Pairs
Play matching word and picture game. Use the downloadable sheets or make your own!



Size & Comparison

big bigger biggest
tall taller tallest
small smaller
smallest

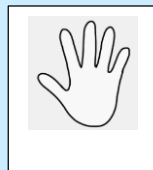
Who is the tallest?
Stand in a line with your family. Line up some cuddly toys, dinosaurs or figures? Who or what is the shortest? Build a tower. Who has the tallest? ☐

Cutting Skills

Jigsaw Challenge
Use a rectangular page from a magazine, the side of a cereal box, or draw your own picture. Then cut into shapes and remake the picture. You can use straight lines or curves. ☐

Odd One Out
Mix up 3 pictures, so 2 rhyme and 1 does not. Lay the 3 pictures out and your child can say the names. Which picture doesn't rhyme? ☐

Handprints
Draw around your family handprints. Who has the biggest? Smallest? ☐

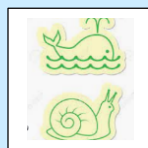


Try some snips first and then have a go at some cutting patterns from the cutting skills book. Perhaps you can draw some of your own lines to cut along? ☐



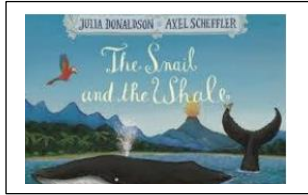
Can you find things that have rhyming sounds around your house? How about a hat and a cat? A pear and a bear? A wall and a ball? ☐

Can you think of, or find, things bigger than a snail, and smaller than a whale? ☐



Draw around some objects at home - tin can, plate, cup, book, food packets. Cut the shapes out and make a picture. Can you name the shapes too? ☐

Read/watch and discuss the story:
"The Snail and The Whale" by Julia Donaldson.



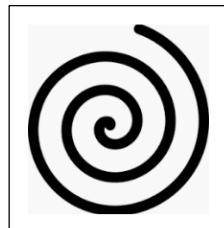
You Tube link below at the end of the last sheet.
Who is the author and the illustrator? What do you think the book is about?

Pause the video or stop the pages at all the different lands the snail and whale visit. Talk about what you can see and the rhyming words you can hear. Have a go at the cut and stick pictures about the seaside and under the sea.



Snail Trails

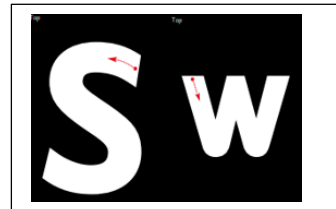
Have a go at making patterns in a tray of rice or flour, with a spoon, brush or fingers. Can you make a spiral shape like a snail shell?



You could try numbers or letters in your name too.

More Snail Trails

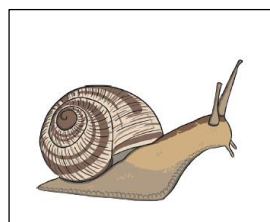
You could also make a snail trail outside, with chalks or water and a brush. Have a go at "S" for snail and "W" for whale.



Can you think of any words that begin with these sounds?

Let's Get Moving!

Can you move like an ocean animal? Take a look at the attached cards. Did you spot the sea snail?



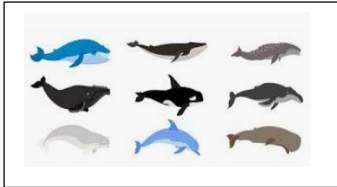
Rhyming Bingo

Have a game of bingo, matching the rhyming pictures on the sheet. Who will fill their bingo card first? Feel free to make your own!



Finding out about snails and whales

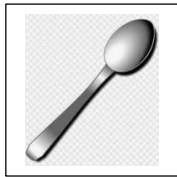
With a grown up, find out about the different kinds of whales? Can you draw one? Which do you like the best and why?



What is a snailery or a snail house? Can you make one?

Measuring Fun

Use a teaspoon or a peg, and go on a measuring hunt! Find things that are bigger or smaller than your item, in the house or in the garden.



Helping Others

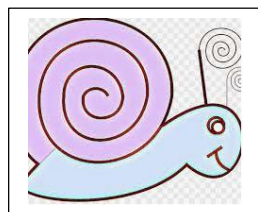
In the story, the snail helped the whale by getting everybody to keep the whale wet until the sea tide came back in. Can you think of a different way to help at home for several days? Maybe with a grown up lay the table, sort the washing, help a brother or sister, tidy up in different ways, make the bed, get dressed, water the plants?

Some Crafty Ideas

Fingerprint a whale shape



Collage a spiral shell shape with pasta, coloured paper or fingerprints. Can you use 2 colours to make a pattern?



Paint with texture.

If you have any sand, add to some paint and see what happens.



You tube link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x887mPO9X9c>

Downloadable sheets and activities on the website.