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Pre-School Newsletter

April 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

We hope our Pre-School families are keeping safe and well. In order to have some normality, we will continue with our monthly newsletter to celebrate all the fantastic learning that is going on at home. It will also give you something to look forward to!

Thank you for all the lovely messages of support and for sending photographs of the children learning at home. Please keep sending them so that we can stay connected and see what everyone is up to.

Mrs H Khinda, Head of Hulme Hall Pre-School

Beanstalk Challenge

A big well done to the children for looking after their beanstalks at home. Why do you think your beanstalk has grown? Will it grow taller than you and reach the clouds like Jesse, Rafferty and Charlotte are hoping? Let's have a competition to see whose beanstalk can be the tallest!



PE with Joe

It is so important to keep physically active whilst we are all at home and many of our Pre-School children have been tuning in to Joe Wicks daily PE lessons! If you haven't seen it yet, why not have a go? He is live at 9am Monday to Friday and can be found on YouTube by searching for The Body Coach. Have fun keeping fit!





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Artists of the Month

The children in Kindergarten have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the wonderful artwork of Yayoki Kusama and Joan Miró with Miss Chalaris.

Maria made a princess castle over the weekend using Miro's splatting technique and covered it in all her favourite colours. She says she wants to invite all her school friends to come inside her castle—I think we would all love to explore it, don't you?



Learning Book

Thanks to everyone that has been uploading photographs through their children's learning journal. We've had pictures of children baking, working on their numbers and shapes and doing sensory activities. We are so impressed with the effort that you are making and the fun learning that is taking place!



Home Learning Resources

We are keen to support you as much as possible with learning from home and have set up a dedicated page on our website.

You can follow the link below or navigate to the Pre-School page and click the link at the top of the page. There are lots of ideas on there from art and music to exploration and we will continue to add more resources as we find them. <https://www.hulmehallschool.org/pre-school-remote-learning/>

Follow us on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram —for more information, news and photographs!



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Pre-School Challenges for April!

Balance Tower Challenges

Can you use the same natural materials to build a tower?

Can you use a combination of natural materials to build a tower?

What are the best natural materials and why?

What do you notice about the size, shape, weight and position of the objects in your most stable tower?

Can you measure the height of your balance tower?

How can you make your balance tower even more stable?

Can your balance tower hold a weight on the top?

Can you be creative and join your collection of balance towers into a settlement or castle?



30 THINGS TO DO WITH YOUR KIDS OUTSIDE

Look at a cloud and say what you think it looks like. <input type="checkbox"/>	Make a wish on a dandelion. <input type="checkbox"/>	Explore a cobweb and make spiders cool. <input type="checkbox"/>	Hug a tree. <input type="checkbox"/>	Build a house for fairies. <input type="checkbox"/>
Read a book in the woods. <input type="checkbox"/>	Fill a basket with nuts, leaves, and sticks that have fallen from trees. <input type="checkbox"/>	Pick up 3 pieces of trash from outside. <input type="checkbox"/>	Identify 3 birds. <input type="checkbox"/>	Throw rocks in a river, pond, or puddle. <input type="checkbox"/>
Plant wildflowers. <input type="checkbox"/>	Build a rock cairn. <input type="checkbox"/>	Slide down a sand or grassy hill. <input type="checkbox"/>	Explore a trail you have never been down. <input type="checkbox"/>	Draw pictures in the dirt. <input type="checkbox"/>
Paint rocks with water and see what colors arise. <input type="checkbox"/>	Splash in a big puddle. <input type="checkbox"/>	Put bugs in a bowl and observe them. <input type="checkbox"/>	Work in a garden or explore a public garden. <input type="checkbox"/>	Pick out how many shades of green you see on a trail. <input type="checkbox"/>
Look for something prickly. <input type="checkbox"/>	Sing in the rain. <input type="checkbox"/> no rain?? stick your head in a fountain or waterfall and sing!	Plant a seed that you find on the trail. <input type="checkbox"/> le. acorn, pine cone, willow fuzz	Have a picnic. <input type="checkbox"/>	Find a trail with a creek and look for the animals that live in it. <input type="checkbox"/>
My Trail <input type="checkbox"/> Name a trail with your own special name.	Make binoculars out of toilet paper rolls and spy something through them. <input type="checkbox"/>	Make a new friend. <input type="checkbox"/>	Walk like a duck, a deer, or a bear. <input type="checkbox"/>	Find different items that are your child's favorite color. <input type="checkbox"/>

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DIY Fossils

You need:

1 cup of flour

1/2 cup of table salt

1/2 cup of water

Method

Mix the ingredients together in a bowl and knead the dough together with your hands. Make small balls and flatten then using the palm of your hands. Press anything that looks prehistoric and remove it carefully. Leave to dry and have fun!

