



Morning Message from Miss Beckett



Good Morning Nursery

Today is **Friday**, and you have come to the end of another week of home learning activities. I have been so impressed by all the effort you have shown in completing your homework this week, and you should all be **very** proud of yourselves.

Give yourselves a clap and a pat on the back!

I hope you all manage to have a rest over the weekend.

Jude is **4** years old today, so we wish him a very '**Happy Birthday**.'

Please remember to sing

'**Happy Birthday**' to Jude each time you wash your hands today.

Have a lovely weekend!

Literacy



Today you are going to practise forming the letter **g**.

Watch how Squiglet does this, and then you have a go yourself.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7QfkmyqOPeQ>

Take a moment to think about all the letters we have practised forming this week **c o a d g**

What do you notice about all of these letters? That's right, they all start the same way!

c is a very **clever** letter because it starts off all of these other letters.

They all follow a similar pattern when you write them down.

Ask an adult to use a finger to write one of these letters

on your back. Try to guess which letter they wrote? Play this game with all the letters we have practised this week, then swap over and you can use a finger to write the different letters on the adult's back. Keep practising the formation of these letters by writing on backs, in the air, on paper or on anything you can think of.

It is important that you learn to form these letters correctly.

Mathematics



Yesterday you played **How Many Are Missing** with objects you found.

Today you can play a different version of that game but using fingers instead of objects.

Ask an adult to hold up a number of fingers on their hand.

Start by telling them how many fingers they are holding up, and then tell them how many fingers are missing? How many fingers have they tucked down? How do you know?

Play the game several times and see if you can get quicker at voicing your answers.

The adult can use one or two hands when playing this game with you.

Another game you can play is **Guess the Number**. Ask an adult to use their finger to **write** a number on your back. Try to guess which number they wrote.

Other Activities



Have you got any playdough or plasticine in your home? If you don't have any, you could try making some.

You can make many different types of playdough but here is an easy recipe to try.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oAlAm6BF0fs>

Once you have had fun making your playdough, I want you to use it to have a **Dough Disco!**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3K-CQrj10uY&list=PLtw-7Jf06an2kfRMTdYqf21GkM0YT2HaP&index=2>

Dough Disco is a fun activity which combines the use of **play dough** with a series of hand and finger exercises designed to improve fine muscle control. The movements will develop your fine and gross motor skills, hand-eye coordination and self-esteem. If you find it tricky to hold your pencil correctly and to form your letters correctly, these exercises will strengthen your fingers and the muscles in your hands, and you will soon find it a lot easier to control your pencil and your handwriting will also improve.

Most importantly, a Dough Disco is so much fun!