**Brampton Pre-school Term 4 Newsletter 2024**

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| **Mother’s Day**  To celebrate Mother’s Day, we would like to invite Mum’s to play at Brampton Pre-school on Friday 8th March between 1:30-3:00pm. All Mum’s/ special person are welcome, this also includes children and their Mum’s who do not attend pre-school on Friday afternoon’s.  To enable us to collate numbers please inform the team if you will be attending. |
| **Toys**  We are in need of dolls clothes, If you have any you would like to donate or know someone who enjoys knitting and would be able to make some outfits could you please email [manager@portisheadpreschool.co.uk](mailto:manager@portisheadpreschool.co.uk).  Thank you 😊 |
| **Absence/illness**  If your child is unable to attend pre-school, please contact the setting on 01275 817834 or email [manager@portisheadpreschool.co.uk](mailto:manager@portisheadpreschool.co.uk)  as we are required to record absence.  Colds and viruses are common this time of year however If your child is unwell, please consider keeping them at home to minimise the risk of cross infection. Children who have sickness and/or diarrhoea must not attend pre-school for 48hours after the last episode. [Diarrhoea and vomiting - NHS (www.nhs.uk)](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/diarrhoea-and-vomiting/) | | **Fundraising for pre-school**  The Pre-school committee are arranging a May Fair event on Saturday 18th May celebrating 60 years of early years education for the community to raise funds for both Brampton & Hilltop Pre-school.  If you are able to help at the event, donate items or know a business that could offer sponsorship please email:[thecommittee@portisheadpreschool.co.uk](mailto:thecommittee@portisheadpreschool.co.uk)  Portishead Pre-School – Learning Through Play | |
| **Brampton & Hilltop Pre-schools- Learning through play.**  **Portishead Preschool Charity Number 1180880** | | | |

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| Date & Topic | PSED | CL | PD | | Literacy | Maths | KUW | EA&D | Home corner |
| 19.02.24  A book cover of a dear zoo  Description automatically generated | Group time:  Do you have a pet?  Use Lola (Leopard) for listening activity and talk about pets’ children have or would like to have. | Descriptive words  Tall,  Fierce, Big, Small,  Writing letters in name  Practice letter and name writing. | Old MacDonald had a farm.  The lions in the zoo…add animals.  (Tune of the farmers in his den)  Can you move like a Lion, monkey, slither like a snake? | | Read  Dear Zoo  Rod Campbell  Poetry  ‘A little seed’ | Counting,  Subitise,  Shape.  Estimating size?  Will a lion fit into this box?  Too big, too small? | Identify the animals.  Plant cress seeds.  To coincide with poem. | Use varying resources to  Create Animal faces on plates.  Lion, Monkey,  Elephant,  snake | Vets with animals from the story |
| 26.02.24  Image result for the blue balloon | Group time.  What can fly?  Birds,  Insects,  Aeroplanes,  Helicopter,  Hot air balloon.  A flying carpet.  Can the children think of anything? | Descriptive words  Squeaky  Stretched  Squashed  Soggy  Indestructible. | Yoga poses  Stretch and bend.  Relax and breathe!  Makaton for Calm  [Bing Videos](https://www.bing.com/videos/riverview/relatedvideo?q=makaton+calm&mid=A1C0D3EBBD705DBD0150A1C0D3EBBD705DBD0150&FORM=VIRE) | | Read  The blue balloon  Mick Inkpen  A little seed’ | Directional language  Up, down  Shapes  Count the balloons. | Balloon  Science experiment. | Make kites.  Bubble painting. | Aircraft/airport |
| 04.03.24  **World book day**  **Thursday 7th March**  A red robot with a cartoon character  Description automatically generated  **Sunday 10th March Mother’s Day.** | Group time:  Discussion  Problem solving:  Think about the story, and for what the different animals were using the robot parts.? Think of a scenario:  Example-What could we use to transport things from one place to another or cross the river. Use props to help children’s problem solve | Sensory tray  Tinfoil  Nuts and bolts.  Magnets  Grey playdough  Silver glitter  Pipe cleaners. | Move like robots,  Follow instructions, directions.  Wheels on the bus  Use loose parts and construction to make robots small and large | | Read:  No- Bot  The Robot with N0 Bottom.  Poem:  A little seed | Shapes  shape robot painting.  Name shapes.  2D, 3D | Science experiments  Volcanoes  Colour mixing. | Invite Mum’s to play at pre-school Friday 8th March 1:30-3:00pm  Mothers’ day/Special person  Cards | Garage, car service.  mechanics. |
| 11.03.24  A frog on a log  Description automatically generated | Group time.  What do you think a frog’s skin would feel like?  Where do frogs live? | Rhyming words  Frog  Log  Cat  Mat  Stork  Fork  Golden rules. | 5 little speckled frogs  Mmm-mmm, went the little green frog one day.  Can you hop, jump like a frog? | | Read  Oi Frog!  Author:  Kes Gray | Count the lily pads,  How may will we need to cross the water?  ABAB pattern  Lily pad, frog, | Tadpoles  Life cycle of a frog.  Feel different textures.  Bark, pebbles, pinecones, leaves | Make frogs.  Children’s handprint green,  Best 25 Frog Projects for Preschoolers - Home, Family, Style and Art Ideas | Boat,  Fishing  Lilly pads  Fish. |
| 18.03.24  A book cover of a book  Description automatically generated | Group time.  Have you been on a train?  Where did you go?  What does it feel like on a train? | Thinking game  Which animal is stripy,  Which animal has a trunk?  Play memory game.  Which animal is missing? | Funky monkey  Alice the camel | | Read  The Animal Train  Author:  Christopher  Wormall  Poem:  Popcorn | Numicon shaped animals  Counting animals  Sorting animals. | Identify the animals.  Where do they live?  What country? | Scissor activity.  Practice skill.  Make a bear. | Happy street  Trains with animals from the story. |
| 25.03.24  Pirates Love Underpants by Claire Freedman & Ben Cort hardcover book | eBay | Group time.  Discuss patterns.  Play memory game.  Which pants have the pirates taken?  [Let's talk PANTS | NSPCC](https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/) | Descriptive words  Patterns,  Stripy  Spotty | Walk the plank.  Pirate songs. | | Read  Pirates love underpants  Author:  Claire Freedman  Poem:  Popcorn | Counting  Patterns  shape  Big  Small | Making Easter nests  Cards  Discussion of Easter celebration. | Make telescopes.  Pant Treasure maps. | Pirates dress up.  Treasure island |
| Popcorn  Popcorn, Popcorn, sizzling in the pan.  Shake it up, shake it up,  Bam, Bam, Bam.  Popcorn, Popcorn, now it’s getting hot.  Shake it up, shake it up,  Pop, Pop, Pop. | | | | A little Seed  A Little seed for me to sow,  A little soil for it to grow.  A little hole, a little pat,  A little wish, and that is that.  A little sun, a little shower,  A little wait, and then a flower. | | | | | |