

Hello Everyone

This will be our last home learning before we break up for the summer holidays. I have added some more transition ideas for settling into the Reception classes. This follows on from last week's links to the Cbeebies site that also has some lovely ideas and stories.

I have added a book list that gives a variety of starting school books that you might want to look at. Some of these are available on-line or in the library. I have also added some links to some of the stories as well.

During the break, it might be a good idea to look through some of the power points that I have added and once you know your class teachers and class names, you can talk about them too. Jake's First Day power point also comes with some talking cards about the story and a 'worry' activity that can be discussed at home.

I am sure that all of the children will be excited about their first days in Reception class and that the new teachers, wherever you may be going, will ensure a smooth transition for all of the children.

I have added some creative ideas that you might like to do in the summer – I am definitely going to try the ice cream one! The home learning will still be available on the website from the last few months, if you want to recap or try some of the other activities.

It has been a pleasure to teach all of the Sunflowers and Starfish this year and we will miss them. We hope that you have a lovely summer and look forward to hearing your news and how you are getting on in September. I will still check the nursery email if you have any questions or queries that I can help with.

Take care and have fun this summer.

Mrs Preston, Mrs Clarke and Mrs Nutthall

## Activities for the summer

### **Transition books, power points and activities**

Jake's First Day power point, 'worry' activity and talking cards.

Starting school power point

School themed colouring

What will I wear for school activity pages

Charlie and Lola – I am absolutely too small for school

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vc\\_AeLiG7SE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vc_AeLiG7SE)

Harry and the Dinosaurs go to school

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gCR42DG1joU>

Whiffy Wilson the Wolf who wouldn't go to school

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dI1MsCKo4tA>

Chu's first day at school

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HsMP2ubEc8g>

## Creative ideas



Make Ice cream in a bag. Full instructions can be found here

<https://www.sciencebuddies.org/stem-activities/ice-cream-bag#instructions>



Each child (or a child and a grown up) has the same lego pieces or similar building equipment or objects. Place a barrier between them so they can't see what each other are doing. One child gives instructions to describe what to build and they build together. At the end, lift the barrier and see if you have managed to build the same thing. Did the instructor give clear instructions? Did the listener listen well?



Make a miniature garden using an old pot and plants from the garden.



Use old socks and scraps of fabric to make sock puppets and tell a story. Give your puppets names and interview them to find out about what they like to eat, or do, or where they went on holiday for instance. You could even get your child to teach them maths/spellings or read them a story. If you have enough puppets and hands the puppets could have a party and chat to each other.



Make pom-poms with card and wool. Pom-poms can then be made into creatures.



Tape together pieces of paper and lay down in a sunny spot. Arrange toys along the edge and trace around their outlines on the paper.



Using thin paper and crayons (or aluminium foil and your fingers to gently run and press) make rubbings of different textures around the house or in the garden. You can then cut these out and make pictures.



Build something with all those boxes coming with your household deliveries. Or just tape the boxes shut and use them as giant building bricks.