

Blended Learning Activities  
Spring 1 Week 1

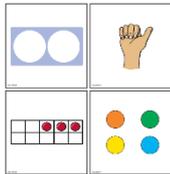


Nursery  
Bumblebees and Ladybirds



**Maths Weekly Task**  
(Aim to do 3 activities over the week)

- Practise different number songs, reciting numbers in order and counting up or down (e.g. 10 green bottles, 5 currant buns, 5 little men, etc.)
- Write out numbers 1-5 on flashcards and practise recognising the numerals and putting the numbers in order. Can you count out objects to match the number you see?
- Make subitising cards of a variety of different representations of numbers 1-5, and use as flashcards to help with recognition of amounts (a printable example is attached with the learning, or you can make your own).
- Watch Numberblocks video Off We Go (<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b08cr0y7/numberblocks-series-1-off-we-go>) and try some of these activities:



- Order your own number cards 1-5. Reshuffle them around - can you put them back in order? Which are out of place?
- Place cards 1-5 in order. Have your child close their eyes and then take one away - do you know who is missing? How can you tell?

**Reading / Phonics Weekly Tasks**  
(Aim to read once a day and do 3 phonics activities during the week)

- Read a variety of books at home. Favourites can be repeated. Hearing the patterns of language in a story will support your child's language development.
- Share a variety of winter themed poems (many nice ones here: <http://www.canteach.ca/elementary/songspoes7.html>) and talk about the rhymes and the language used in each - which words are about the winter?
- We will be looking at phonics sound 'S'. Collect a few pictures or objects of things beginning with this sound. Go through each and talk about the initial sound, does it begin with a 'S'? Practise sorting the objects into 'S' and not 'S'. Can you think of any more words beginning with an 'S'. **Look out for a challenge on the Evidence Me app.**
  - Jolly phonics 'S' song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=APts0BQi0LA>
- Come up with a list of winter words together - can you clap out the syllables in each word? Do any rhyme? Sort your words into categories: animals, weather, clothing, activities, etc.
- Can you find a video of the Northern Lights? What words would you use to describe them?

**Weekly Writing/Mark Making Tasks**  
(Aim to do 3 activities over the week)

- Let's get messy! Spray some shaving foam into a tray - use your fingers (or paint brushes) to make some marks. Try different shapes, the letters from your name, or any other letters you are familiar with. Maybe you could write some numbers, too!

- Use (or make) playdough to squeeze, roll, pinch and work the tiny muscles in your fingers. You can make up your own movements to your favourite song, or there are many 'dough disco' videos on YouTube.
- It's chilly in the winter. Freeze some diluted paints and make ice cube painted pictures.
- Practise writing your name, focusing on the formation of the lowercase letters.



### Learning Project - pick 3 or more activities to do throughout the week

The projects this week aim to provide opportunities for your child to explore winter.

#### Understanding the World

- What do we wear in the winter? Why do we need different types of clothes for winter time? Collect a variety of different clothes and sort through which ones you would wear in the winter time and which you wouldn't.
- Watch a video about different winter animals. Can you guess which sounds they make before the video tells you? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=suWdzT5YNyQ>

#### Physical Development

- Try some winter yoga with Joybob the Polar Bear and Cosmic Kids <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DP9jd1Ug2y4&t=21s>
- Practise putting on your boots, coat, gloves, hat and scarf all on your own. Which ones did you find the trickiest? Can you zip up your coat? Can you put your own jumper on and take it off?

#### Expressive Arts and Design

- Create a winter picture using a variety of objects (cotton wool, tin foil, paper, sequins, tissue).
- Sing songs about winter and create a sequence of movements to go with it.
- Work with an adult to create paper snowflakes. Could you make some with different patterns and designs?
- From the Northern Lights video you have found, try to recreate a Northern Lights picture on your own - you could use pencils, paints, pastels, chalks, any medium you prefer.



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