

Week 4 Term 3 2019

Hello to all of our Little Explorers and their explorer guides.

We were so excited that Senior Constable Steve Armstrong-Ravula visited Playgroup last week. Steve sat at the playdough table and joined in the kid's play. He walked around and talked with children and adults. He asked some lucky children to help him hand out stickers and wristbands. He bought some "police pictures" for us to colour. And he donated two police hats to Playgroup for our imaginative play. THANK YOU Snr Con Steve. You are awesome!



This week's Learning Games focus on helping children remember things, to communicate and to learn new words.

Learning Game 17 "Sit, Turn and Reach" helps babies from birth to 6 months learn to move their body in new ways. They learn to stretch and sit up and to balance their body. They learn that they can play with a toy when they reach for it. They learn words go with actions

Learning Game 18 "In The Mirror" helps babies aged between 6 and 12 months learn about themselves. They learn the names of body parts. They learn that you will help them.

Learning Game 37 "Animal Sounds" helps children aged between 1 and 2 years learn that a picture can represent an object. They learn to connect sounds and pictures and to have fun with sounds. These skills help children learn to communicate with others.

Learning Game 75 "Sharing Rhymes and Traditional Songs" helps children aged between 2 and 3 years learn the rhythm of language. This is where Nursery Rhymes come into their own. This game also helps children to remember, and this is essential for learning.

Learning Game 104 "Making Shapes" helps children aged between 3 and 4 years learn mathematical skills such as shapes. It helps children learn to make things with their hands and fingers (essential for handwriting) and to be creative and explore their ideas.

Learning Game 165 "Make a Calendar" helps children aged between 4 and 5 years learn to remember events, to talk about events and to think about the past and future events.

Special thanks to Mrs Karen Lucas for helping us out last week when Jess is unavailable. We look forward to seeing you again this week too.

Finally, thank you to all of you who are determined to attend Playgroup, even if the weather is "a bit cool".

I'm looking forward to see you Thursday.
Happy playing and talking.

Helen Levitt,

Playgroup co-ordinator

GAME 18



He may need help.
Gently guide his hand.
Talk about the part that baby touches.

Baby learns

- about himself
- words about his body – nose, mouth, lips
- that you will help him

More ideas

Baby likes to see himself. Play game again and again.
Ask baby to show you his nose, mouth, eyes, ears, hair, teeth, and neck.
Take baby's hand and show him as you read a book about me and my body.

Families have lots of ways to teach baby words for his body.

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