

Thursday 19th November

Hello Everyone!

Here's some ideas for what to do at home with your child.

We've been thinking about what the children love doing when they are at Lillian de Lissa Nursery.

The fantastic news is - your child learns through play- play makes them happy - and feeling happy is proven to make the learning stick in their brains too!

If you have a go at any of the activities we'd love to see a photo.



1 Question: What's the best thing since sliced bread?

Answer: Eating sliced bread!

A chance to learn science and language!

For this activity you will need some sliced bread, some soft butter or vegetable spread and cheese or jam. Firstly - you could make some toast. This is a good chance to talk about change and how to be safe. Have a look at the bread before you put it in the toaster - is it hot or cold? Can you bend it? Put it in the toaster (your child could do this bit) - and listen for the 'pop' and the toast coming up.

Tell your child that it's your job to take it out because it got very hot- too hot for children's fingers at first.

The toast will start to cool down so have a look at it with your child - has it changed colour? How does it feel? What can you smell?

Let your child put the butter/spread on it - it could be messy please don't worry about this- it will be worth it- your child will be so proud that they did it themselves! (And using a cutlery knife- the same knife that you'd eat your dinner with - can cut up food but isn't sharp - putting the butter on helps develop their coordination!) Perhaps add some jam? Enjoy eating it - listen to the crunch! Maybe you could make some toast for someone else in your home - how grown up!

You could also make some sandwiches- ask for your child's help to spread the butter/spread and choose a filling. If you give them a slice of cheese they could cut it up into smaller pieces with a cutlery knife to put in the sandwich.

Children love chopping up food smaller and smaller!

Remember to praise them: "Wow- you made your own sandwich!"

"Mmmmmmm- that's so tasty!"



You could watch this lovely story - Bears Don't Eat Egg Sandwiches read by the author, Julie Fulton.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qW9OaXdDVDc&safe=true

We'd also suggest taking a few photos of the toast/sandwich making if you have a smartphone and looking at them a day or so after.

Ask your child what they remember about what they did - this is good for developing language and reflection.

Seeing themselves in a photo and you listening to them talk about what you did together will make them feel very important.



2 At Nursery we have special books - our VERY favourite books that we keep in a book bag on the wall. Ask your child about the bags on the wall - all the children love those stories! Each group has a different bag every half term so that your child has experienced a range of fantastic books. Every week we'll post a link to the books we know that the children love.

This week is So Much by Trish Cooke.

They weren't anything - Mum and the baby- not really and then - DING DONG!

Who is at the door?

Watch and find out!

Two versions - one on YouTube and one on Facebook. The Facebook version is read by the author Trish Cooke herself.

https://youtu.be/A8GhmczYen0

https://www.facebook.com/1812326372322951/videos/708780446 562001/?vh=e&d=n

We're in a second national lockdown.

Lillian de Lissa is open for all the children and we will make things feel as normal as possible for your child.

If you need advice or are struggling in any way please do talk to us. We can put you in touch with people who can help and of course we will always listen. Phone 0121 675 3421

Kind regards,

All the team at Lillian de Lissa Nursery School