

## Week Commencing 20.04.2020

Hello!

I hope that you are keeping safe and well and hope you've all had a good Easter.

I've added some more files to the SEND home learning page. This week, one of these is a booklet created by an art therapist called 'Through My Window'. It has some great ideas of activities and some lovely things to complete especially on days when you might have to be inside.

Do keep reading and I'd love to see anything that you've been up to.

As always, feel free to contact me on [sdoherty@pippins.slough.sch.uk](mailto:sdoherty@pippins.slough.sch.uk)

### Life skills ideas for the week:

Fine motor skills – doodling or zentangle

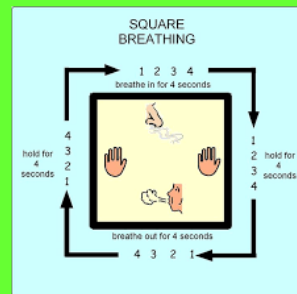
Practice crossing the road (IF it is safe to go out)

Do some laundry – sort colours from whites

Learn your address

### Wellbeing ideas for the week:

(all ideas can be found in the wellbeing pack on the SEND home learning page)



Gratitude jar – each day write down something you are grateful for and add it to a jar.

### Suggested websites and apps:

Dough disco is great for fine motor skills

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCj0shfH3pzhrf3dOrSj\\_pRw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCj0shfH3pzhrf3dOrSj_pRw)

SOS spelling is a dyslexia friendly approach to spelling

<http://bettertuition.co.uk/simultaneous-oral-spelling/>



APP – Bitsboard

memory games, matching games and questions

## Activity ideas:

**Draw a map** – draw a map of your home and neighbourhood. Can you draw it from a bird's eye view?

**Design your flag** – can you design a flag that tells the whole world about you? Can you use materials around the house to make a full size version that you can fly?

**Lego challenge** – design and build your dream bedroom.

**Grow your own hanging crystals.**

## Grow your own Hanging Crystals

### You will need:

- Two glass jars
- Hot water
- Bicarbonate of soda
- Two paper clips
- String or wool
- Small plate

1. Pour hot water into the two jars and stir in bicarbonate of soda until no more will dissolve (about 6 teaspoons). When a layer forms at the bottom of the jars, this means no more will dissolve.
2. Tie a paper clip to each end of the piece of wool or string and place each end in each jar so it hangs between.
3. Put a small plate underneath the wool between the jars.
4. Leave the jars for a week. Crystals will begin to form along the wool - hanging down like stalactites. You may even get crystal stalagmites forming on the plate!

### THE SCIENCE

You've created a super-saturated solution. Hot water can hold more dissolved bicarb than cold water because the molecules are further apart. When the water cools, the bicarb can no longer 'fit' in the water and 'clings' to the wool. As the water evaporates, crystals form. These crystal strings get longer as more water drips down.



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