## Some more Year 1 home learning ideas ©

We hope you have been enjoying the Joe Wicks workouts at 9am each morning. If you fancy a change and would like to do something different this week, why not try this? Feel free to choose different actions for each letter – why not let us know what you do?



Now that Spring is well and truly here, we thought it might be time to include some outdoor activities. Even if you don't have a garden, you could try some of these on or after a walk (obviously keeping 2 metres apart from anyone else who is outside exercising!)

**Walk and Seek.** On your daily walk, collect a few items in a bucket - leaves, flowers, bark, rocks and then bring them home. Get some paper and glue out. What can you create with your findings? With some felt tips/crayons, that leaf might become an owl! Write a sentence or 2 about what you have made in your neatest handwriting!

Make the Alphabet or Numbers to 10/20 Using leaves, trees, or other object of nature, can your child make and then take a picture of every letter in the alphabet? Or maybe just the ones necessary to create their name or the number of their house!

Adapted from ideas from 'The Ladybird's adventures' – click on the coloured lettering to access the links to their website)

## Walk and talk

- Would you rather be a cloud or a wave?
- · What does it feel like when you feel the wind across your face?
- What sounds can you hear? Which is your favourite? Which sound do you dislike the most?
- Eye spy with my outdoor eye, something beginning with....
- · If a tree could talk, what do you think it would say?
- If the ocean could talk, what would it sound like? What would it say?
- How many natural items can you find that are red? Green? Brown? Blue- can you find ten of each?
- · Why can you see your reflection in the water?
- If the sunshine was a feeling which one would it be, why?
- · If the wind was a feeling, which ones would it be?
- What do you think is at the end of a rainbow? And how do you get there?



**Ping pong counting** Start counting and ask your child to reply with the next or previous number. For example, if you say 19 the child says 20 or you say 30 and they say 29. Walk and skip as you do this activity. Develop this to include counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

Adapted from 'The Muddle Puddle'

## 25 things to do outside!

(Taken from '30 Days Wild - click on each one to access pictures and instructions on the website)



- 1. Go on a minibeast hunt around your home or garden and learn about invertebrates.
- 2. Try some seed and plant growing experiments.
- 3. Learn about hedgehogs and try 5 fun hedgehog related activities
- 4. Bird watch from your window
- 5. Make a rain measure and learn about the water cycle.
- 6. Learn about spider webs and make a spider web catcher
- 7. Make a wormery and learn about worms
- 8. Create naturally scented and coloured playdough using herbs and flowers
- 9. Play nature colour matching games
- 10. Make some nature confetti
- 11. Make your own nature paints
- 12. Make some nature art.
- 13. Have fun making mud cakes, magic potions and leaf boats.
- 14. Make wildflower seeded paper to plant and grow.
- 15. Snail racing, observation and tracking.
- 16. Mud cakes, magic potions and leaf boats.
- 17. Play nature games
- 18. Make bird feeder bunting and a footprint tracker
- 19. Learn about decomposition and make an insect house
- 20. Build a garden Den or have a teddy bears tea party
- 21. Make simple sun catchers
- 22. Play chalk games
- 23. Make your own scarecrows
- 24. Paint pebbles to play with
- 25. Colourful capillary action experiment

## And finally, some stories to listen to – just click on the pictures and enjoy!







