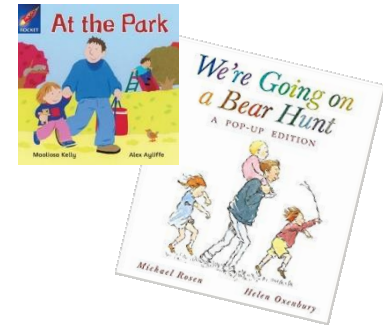


# Ideas to support your child's learning while at home

- **Share a picture book.** Encourage your child to join in with the story-telling, maybe by using their favourite toy or a puppet. Together point to characters or picture detail. Support them to join in with repetitive parts of the text. Use the theme of the story to inspire further play such as playing with trains, animal toys or hide and seek.



- Listen to stories on **Cbeebies**, **CBBC radio** or Audio Apps. Websites such as **BookTrust** and **Oxford Owl** have free e-books



- Watch Cbeebies Alphablock's episodes. You could try and teach each other the visual phonic sign for the letters- see our **video of this on the school website** (go to 'About Us' and then scroll down to 'Reading Tips')



- The **Jolly Phonics App** and books are another way for your child to have fun while hearing the phonic sounds of each letter.
- **Play matching picture games** such as **Snap! or Pairs**. You can play with picture cards or you can make your own with pictures and words that are particularly motivating for your child. Or put out items such as coloured socks and play 'find the same'!

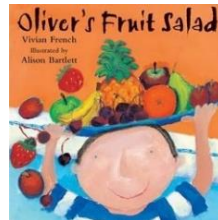


- Make a picture list and ask your child to find those items either on a shopping trip or you could hide items in the house or garden as a **treasure hunt game**. Help your child to tick off each item as they find it. Watch Peppa Pig's Shopping episode.

**Baking** and cooking encourages a host of science and maths skills! Count out the paper cases for little cakes. Make sure there is the right number of cases for the baking tray. Pouring flour and sugar into the bowl -feeling they are dry. Cracking the egg and feeling it is wet. Weighing ingredients. Mixing these together and seeing it change. Sharing the cakes.....One for you and one for me!



- Read Oliver's **Fruit Salad** by Vivian French. Shop for different fruits. Have fun smelling, chopping and tasting them.



- Have some **sensory messy fun** by drawing or writing letters in yogurt, ice cream or baked beans on a tray. If the weather is good you can **paint with water** and a brush on paving stones outside. Your child can paint over chalk letters, numbers or shapes.

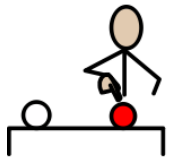


**Number** – count steps or objects. Build a tower with bricks-count 1 2 3 and knock it down, Sing number rhymes together– Super Simple Songs online have lots of these.

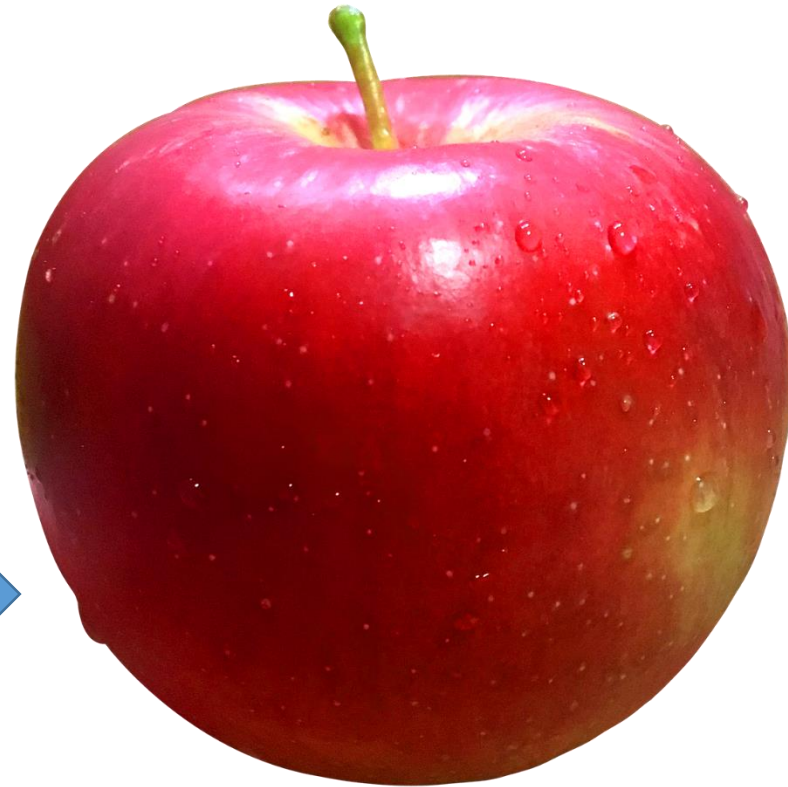
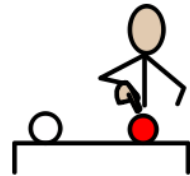
Use a cardboard box or linen basket as a target and count how bean bags or small soft toys you can throw in!



# Panda Maths Challenge



This apple is small.



This apple is big.

With an adult have a look around your house or garden. What can you see that is big? What can you see that is small?

Collect 5 or 6 objects that are clearly big or small. Look at each one together and decide if it is big or small. Practice making the sign for big or small. Can you sort the items in to two sets?

Put out two biscuits, pieces of fruit or another favourite snack. Make one big and the other small. Encourage your child to ask for the one they want by signing 'big' or 'small'!



If you Google '**BSL dictionary**' you can type in any word and it will show a video of someone signing it.

