

Speech and Language Therapy

Language Resource Newsletter – Key Stage 1

Wow what a school year it has been!!! I thought it would be nice to have an end of year catch up with some ideas and activities to complete over the Summer. My working contract is Term Time only so I will be off over the Summer Holiday keeping my children entertained.

If you do have any questions or would like me to contact you on my return please contact me by email - zoe.davies2@srft.nhs.uk .

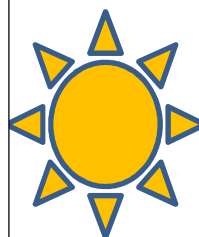
Please say a big hello from me to your child, I am missing them all so much.



Good Luck and Good Bye to all those who are moving to new schools or classes in September! It has been lovely working with you! I will pass on paperwork to the new therapist and will be in touch when we have more information. In the meantime I will continue to be your child's key therapist

Language Based Game & Activities:

- **Scavenger Hunts** - This is a great activity to practice new vocabulary. Ask your child to find something long, something big, something red. You can also make up hunts to find objects beginning with target sounds they are working on, rhyme (find 2 things that rhyme with cat), initial and final sounds etc. There are some good examples on our website.
- **Scrap Books** - A nice way keep the kids entertained on a rainy day! Using a scrap book, label a page as a different category, e.g. animals, toys, clothes etc. Cut out pictures from magazines and catalogues and stick them on the right page. Use the book to play 'Guess the Object' game by taking it in turns to choose a pictures and give clues to the other person, e.g. it has four legs, it's an animal, it lives on a farm etc. You could also use this idea when working on a specific speech sound you may be working on e.g. collecting pictures that begin with /s/.
- **Feely box/bag** - put objects in a box or bag, get your child to feel the object, describe it and guess what it is. Again, this can be used as an activity focusing on speech sounds by filling the bag with objects beginning with the target sound.
- **Sharing Books** - Remember the rule ask 1 question to 4 either comments, repetitions, expansions or explanations. Please see the website for more info and examples: <https://www.speakupsalford.nhs.uk/storytime?207>
- **Play, Play, Play!!!** - Join in with their play and have fun! Don't ask too many questions - make comments instead, repeat what *they* say and expand on the language they use



Useful Websites and Apps:

Here are some useful websites and links that

- www.speakupsalford.nhs.uk - Our own website which has advice and strategies and links to other useful websites and resources.
- <https:// chatterpack.net/>
- Oak National Academy - <https://classroom.thenational.academy/specialist/speech-and-language-therapy>
- Speechbloguk.com - Contains activities, freebies and lists to other useful Apps

Apps:

Odd one out. Use this app for:- understanding vocabulary, semantic links and explanation skills. Cost:- £2.99

Story Cubes. Roll the dice and tell a story using the items. Use this app for:- story telling, sequencing, logical thinking Cost:- £1.49

Sort It Out 2 - Sort pictures out into 3 category groups. Some levels are free full App is £4.99

Work together with your child using these apps so you are there to label vocabulary for them