

Balham Nursery School and Children's Centre

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Dear Parents/Carers

19 March 2020

Following the recent directive from the government on Wednesday afternoon and in agreement with our Chair of Governors, **Balham Nursery School will close** temporarily with effect from: **Monday 23rd March 2020 until further notice**. Therefore, the children's last day at school will be Friday 20th March. Parent/Teacher meetings are cancelled.

We will be considering a partial re-opening from Monday, 20th April 2020, as long as the government does not issue any further restrictions regarding Covid-19, for children of key workers, children eligible for Free School Meals, specialist SEND children, children with an EHCP and those living in temporary accommodation. If you are a key worker and require provision after the Easter Break, please let Emma or a member of the office team know. Safety of all individuals is paramount. **Please keep updated by regularly checking our website:** www.balham-nursery.wandsworth.sch.uk

The school is working closely with the Public Health England, NHS colleagues and Local Authorities to monitor the situation.

If you or your child develops symptoms of Covid-19 -like illness, the advice of the Health Protection Agency is to stay at home and self-isolate the whole household for 14 days.

Should your symptoms not improve please contact the non-emergency NHS line - 111 - or 999 if there is a threat to life. For more information on Covid-19, please visit the Public Health England website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england>

Resources

Helping your child to understand about Covid-19 – you might find this website helpful: www.mindheart.co.descargables The illustrated information is in several languages.

The on-line resource **TWINKL** is offering parents a month's free subscription to help them support children's learning at home. Go to www.twinkl.co.uk/offer and use the code PARENTSTWINKLHELPS – and then search for Early Years.

Farewell to Charlotte

Charlotte, our longstanding Nursery Nurse, will be leaving us at the end of this term. Currently Charlotte is based in Back Class, but she supports children across the whole nursery. Charlotte has been at Balham for many years and we will all miss her dearly. We wish her well as she moves on to pastures new.

Yours sincerely

Emma Williams



100+ INDOOR ACTIVITIES

CRAFTS

MAKE PAPER AIRPLANES
SALT PAINTING
MAKE SUNCATCHERS
MAKE SALT DOUGH
MAKE SPONGE STAMPS
MAKE A CEREAL BOX AQUARIUM
MAKE SCRATCH ART
MAKE YOUR OWN BOOKMARKS
PAINT PET ROCKS
MAKE RECYCLED CRAYONS
MAKE PAPER BOATS
FINGER PAINT
MAKE FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS
MAKE A BIRD FEEDER
MAKE PAPER BAG PUPPETS
MAKE HANDPRINT ART
MAKE A SCRAPBOOK
DECORATE T-SHIRTS
MAKE A THANKFUL JAR
PAINT LEAVES
MAKE A TIME CAPSULE
MAKE BUTTON ART
PAINT WITH WATERCOLORS
COLOR IN A COLORING BOOK
MAKE PAPER CRAFTS
BUILD A CARDBOARD CASTLE
MAKE TISSUE BOX MONSTERS
MAKE A TOILET PAPER ROLL BUTTERFLY
STAMP WITH CELERY
MAKE CHALK ICE
MAKE PUFFY SIDEWALK PAINT
DRAW A SELF PORTRAIT
USE RUBBER STAMPS
DO SCRAPE PAINTING
PAINT A RECYCLED JAR
MAKE SUPERHERO COSTUMES

ACTIVITIES

MAKE PLAYDOUGH
MAKE SLIME
MAKE PLAY MUD
MAKE RAINBOW RICE
MAKE FAKE SNOW
MAKE A SENSORY BIN
MAKE A SENSORY BAG
BUILD A FORT
HAVE A PILLOW FIGHT
WRITE A STORY
MAKE ICE CREAM IN A BAG
MAKE GUMMY BEARS
MAKE FRUIT ROLL-UPS
HAVE A MOVIE DAY
PUT ON A FASHION SHOW
BAKE CUPCAKES OR MUFFINS
DO YOGA
BUILD AN OBSTACLE COURSE
MAKE DINNER TOGETHER
PLAY WITH MAGNETIC TILES
BUILD SOMETHING WITH LEGO
USE DOT MARKERS
BUILD A STACK OF CARDS
PUT ON A PUPPET SHOW
MAKE A TREASURE HUNT
INDOOR BOWLING
LEARN TO DRAW
PUT ON A PLAY
MAKE INDOOR HOPSCOTCH
DO A FAMILY CHORE TOGETHER
HAVE A DANCE PARTY
HAVE A TEA PARTY
PLAY WITH WATER IN A BIN
SET UP A PLAY STORE
MAKE A SOCK TOSS GAME
MAKE PERLER BEAD ART
WRITE IN A JOURNAL

GAMES

PLAY WOULD YOU RATHER
PLAY I SPY
PLAY SIMON SAYS
PLAY BOARD GAMES
PLAY HIDE AND SEEK
INDOOR SCAVENGER HUNT
PLAY BINGO
PLAY CARD GAMES
DO A PUZZLE
PLAY CHARADES
BUILD YOUR OWN GAME
PLAY FREEZE DANCE
PLAY HOT POTATO
PLAY MARBLES
KEEP THE BALLOON UP
PLAY DOMINOES
PLAY HANGMAN
PLAY TIC-TAC-TOE

EDUCATIONAL

READ BOOKS
DO A SCIENCE PROJECT
LEARN ORIGAMI
LEARN ABOUT A NEW ANIMAL
LEARN A NEW CARD GAME
LEARN TO SEW
LEARN TO KNIT
DO BRAIN TEASERS
LEARN A NEW LANGUAGE
LEARN ABOUT A COUNTRY

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