



Some simple things you can do to help with school learning at home. Do at least activity one from each box each day:

English		
<p><u>Talking and Listening</u> Have your child practise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Singing chants, nursery rhymes or songs with you. Have your child identify the rhyming words of these songs. * Follow and give simple directions or instructions for tasks or games. * Recalling their favourite part or retelling what happened in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - family events - favourite stories - YouTube or TV shows 	<p><u>Writing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Write in a diary each day. Read it each day. * Write labels for everyday home items with your child. * Draw pictures of events, people, favourite things, etc. and try to write sentences about it with your help. * Copy and practise writing lower-case and upper-case letters of the alphabet. * Spell common words with magnetic letters or letter cards 	<p><u>Reading</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Read with your child every day. Ask questions about the illustrations and story. Have your child draw the beginning, middle and end of the story. * Practise reading common words in the home environment. Cut known words from magazines or newspapers. * Label simple home items (e.g. bed, table, etc.) Practise reading these labels with your child. * Play games like memory with common words or family names on cardboard or paper.
Maths		
<p><u>Number</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Practise counting forwards to 100 and backwards from 30. Start your counting from different numbers. * Practise counting by 10s or 5s to 100. * Write <u>5</u> numbers you can see in the home environment. Order the 5 numbers from lowest to highest. * Make groups with home items (e.g. pegs, blocks). Add the groups. * Roll and add or subtract two dice or two number cards. * Play any board or dice games that need counting. 	<p><u>Geometry</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Find and draw 2D shapes in the home environment. (For example, squares, circles, rectangles, triangles) * Find any shape or line patterns at home. Copy and continue the pattern. Make your own patterns. * Find and label 3D objects at home. * Do jig saw puzzles. Make your own by cutting old magazine pictures and pasting back together. 	<p><u>Measurement</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Pick three different items at home and order them according to length or mass or area. * Practise using a ruler or tape measure to find the length of items at home. * Find items shorter than one metre, about one meter and longer than one metre. * Practise reading o'clock and half-past time on a clock face. Make a clock on cardboard. * Practise saying and writing the months of the year and seasons. Practise reading a calendar to cross off days.
Physical Education and Personal Development		
<p><u>Movement Skills</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * If possible, practise one of the following skills each day: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - one-legged balance - run - skip (with and without rope) - hop - catch - underarm throw - kick stationary ball - leap 	<p><u>Fine Motor Skills</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Practise tying shoe laces * Cutting and pasting shapes drawn on paper or in magazines * Colouring in * Thread beads * Use pegs or play dough * Build with lego or blocks * Use a paintbrush with water (no paint) on concrete. * Paper folding / Origami 	<p><u>Home Tasks</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Have your child help with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - washing and folding clothes - setting and clearing dinner table - organising toys - cleaning his/her bedroom - sweeping OR any other simple home chores. Talk together while you are doing the chores.