

Poppy Class – COVID Summer planning

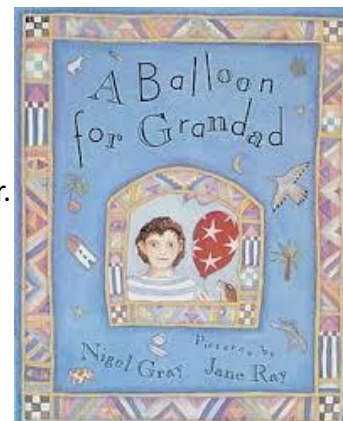
Week 7: Literacy Focus

During the second part of the summer term the **literacy focus** is the book “**A balloon for grandad**”. This book links with other subject topics in Maths (shapes), Science (light and sound), Geography (Continents and Oceans), P.E. (movement), Art (movement and composition) and Cooking (food from around the world).

The book is written by Nigel Gray and illustrated by Jane Ray

It's a very special book about our relationships with our family and how sometimes they are far away, but we can still be connected to each other. It would be wonderful if you can find a copy online, if not, here's an online version:

<https://youtu.be/mcA1c9-BJLw>



Activities

- Read the story with your child.
- Focus on who are your child's family and friends. If you can print pictures of their faces and make puppets with them, role play, practise small world play with them or puppet play, throw a tea party at home using those puppets.
- Make a sensory play mat/tray with the names of those friends and family– write/trace/read those words. Use Colourful Semantics Flashcards/PODD book/GridPlayer app to make sentences about who/what those family and friends are doing on those pictures.
- Make a balloon-powered car to observe how it travels around the house. Focus on the words car and balloon, work those phonemes and words with a sensory approach. You can link it to the word mat from week 1 too.
- If your child is ready, make a sequence of the balloon-powered car instructions and let your child put it in order. If they are ready let them write or copy write the sequence.
- Practise number count: count the balloons (up to 30), make up simple additions/subtractions (up to 10) using the story, make it fun by doing it with water balloons.

Resources

Making puppets:

<http://mollymoocrafts.com/talking-puppets-craft/>

<https://craftsbyamanda.com/kids-puppets/>

Balloon-powered car

https://frugalfun4boys.com/lego-fun-friday-balloon-powered-car-building-challenge/?utm_source=feedly

<https://www.hellowonderful.co/post/MAKE-A-BALLOON-POWERED-RECYCLED-JUICE-BOX-CAR/>

Numbers: <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t-n-2087-word-and-number-0-100-flash-cards>

<https://www.andnextcomesl.com/2019/06/math-sensory-bins.html>

<https://vimeo.com/152390776>