

The CHUF Courier - Issue 6

Welcome to the 6th edition of the 'CHUF Courier', and what would normally be the 2nd week of the Summer Term. We hope that everyone has found plenty to do and settled into a 'new' normal routine to help with today to today life? We also hope that this issue finds you all as well as possible? We are really grateful that we have had some great weather to enjoy, which has definitely made things a bit easier.

By now all Parents and Carers of our CHUF Leavers will have received an email asking them to confirm which school their child will be attending in September, in order that we can update our records. Thank you to everyone who has confirmed so far. Please can all responses be received via email to: info@chufpreschool.co.uk by **16th May 2020**.

Parents and Carers of all those existing CHUF children who are not old enough to start school in September will have also received an email and attached form asking them for confirmation of what sessions they would like for the Autumn Term 2020. Again, thank you to those that have already returned these forms. All requests need to be received by **16th May 2020** (To our usual email address) so that we can confirm your sessions and then begin to work down our waiting lists.

Finally, thank you once again, to everyone who has sent in pictures of their creations or activities for inclusion, they are a ray of sunshine to us all!

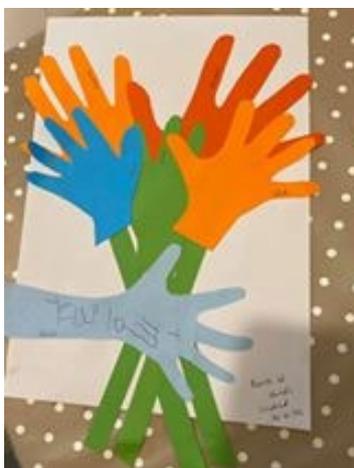
Our CHUF Gallery

Thank you as always for all the amazing pictures you have sent us either by email (info@chufpreschool.co.uk) or by posting on our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/ChearsleyandHaddenhamUnderFives/>

Please do continue to send us your children's wonderful creations and pictures of what they have been up to so that we can share them with you. They really do brighten up our day! Below are some of the fantastic pictures we have received recently (You have obviously been busy bee's over the Easter holidays so we have lots of pictures to share, please don't be disappointed if your picture is not in this weeks edition , we are saving some for our future issues) :





Joke Corner

Do you have any jokes you can share with us to make us and your fellow CHUF friends laugh?? If you do please send them to: info@chufpreschool.co.uk. Here are a few that we have found (We'll let you decide if they are funny or not)

Q. What did the left eye say to the right eye?

A. Between us something smells.

Q. What do you call a dinosaur that is sleeping?

A. A dino-snore.

Q. Why was six scared of seven?

A. Because seven, eight, nine

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This Weeks Activity Suggestion: Salt Dough Recipe For Lockdown Handprints



During these difficult and strange times what about making some salt dough and using it to record your child's (or children's) handprints, or even those of the whole family? Once set this salt dough keepsake can hopefully be a reminder in years to come of the positive side to 'Lockdown'. or of course you can make whatever you would like from the dough, be as imaginative as you like!

To make the salt dough you will need:

500g Plain Flour

250g Salt

250ml of Water

Method:

- 1) Pre-heat the oven to it's lowest temperature and line a baking sheet with baking parchment
- 2) Mix the flour and salt in a large bowl. Add the water slowly and stir until it all comes together into a ball
- 3) Transfer the dough into a floured work surface and shape into your chosen model (To make the 'Lockdown handprints' just roll the dough out until you have a flat shape large enough for all of the hands you are wishing to use, and then gently press the hands into the dough, you may also wish to use a pen to make 2 holes at the top of the dough so that you can hang the dough up when it's finished by using string knotted and attached between the 2 holes). If you want to make something other than the handprint suggestion, you can roll out the dough and cut out shapes, numbers or letters using cutters, or make any kind of model you can think of, eg) shapes of fruit and veg, or cupcakes etc.
- 4) Put your finished item(s) on the lined baking sheet and bake for 3 hours or until solid.
- 5) Leave to cool and then paint

Your Creations

Don't forget to send us pictures of your creations or what you have been up to as well as any suggestions you may have for sharing in our next edition. Please email them to our usual email address (info@chufpreschool.co.uk), or post them under the comments sections of the relevant Facebook posts if applicable. We would really love to share them with everyone at CHUF. Thank you!

Links & Suggestions

Here are some links to ideas and things to do that you may find useful (Some of which we may have already shared on our Facebook page, so apologies for the repetition):

Our first link is to the BBC Bitesize pages and is an article written by a headteacher about the transition from Nursery/Pre-school to Reception and School. Parents and Carers of CHUF leavers may find this link useful to read, it has further links and activities to help your child with this important transition:

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zrynnrd?xtor=CS8-1000-\[Discovery_Cards\]-\[Multi_Site\]-\[SL09\]-\[PS_CBEEBIES~N~~A_PlanningForTransitionWhenSchoolsAreClosed\]](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zrynnrd?xtor=CS8-1000-[Discovery_Cards]-[Multi_Site]-[SL09]-[PS_CBEEBIES~N~~A_PlanningForTransitionWhenSchoolsAreClosed])

What about watching Tim Peakes 'Cosmic Classroom'? This is a link to watch Tim Peake (British Astronaut) broadcast live from space to children in the UK?

<http://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=tim+peake+facts+for+kids&docid=608048874923887655&mid=9EC0C4CDBC982703F9709EC0C4CDBC982703F970&view=detail&FORM=VIRE> Tim Peake's live from space

Or how about getting crafty and as it's Spring making some sheep pictures:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L8FUTb4Grf8>

And finally Debbie F (Hadd CHUF) has been getting up close to the wildlife in and around her garden, and here are some wonderful pictures she has taken for her very own 'Spring Watch'. maybe you could see what wildlife you can see from your house or garden and take some photos?.....



A Red Kite in full flight



.... and at rest on a telegraph pole



A bumble bee collecting pollen from a flower

Stay Safe Everyone Until next Time.....

