

## Ideas to suggest to parents:

- Take your child to the library – borrow and share books together
- Talk about different types of books that you have at home
- Show your child any books that are special in your family, e.g. a baby album
- Allow your child to see you reading books, magazines, brochures, newspapers, leaflets, brochures etc.



### Communication and Language

- Can you match pictures with the book they are from?
- Choose a book to share with an adult
- Sequences – can you work out the order of this story?
- Role-Play area - At the bookshop
- Make up a story together
- Stories: Books that begin with 'Once Upon a Time....'
  - The Three Little Pigs*
  - We're Going on a Bear Hunt*
  - Thomas The Tank Engine*
  - Elmer the Elephant*
  - Goldilocks and the Three Bears*
- Find given things in books e.g. animals
- I am thinking of a book...Can you find it?
- Use a recipe book – can we follow these instructions?

### Personal, Social and Emotional development

- Repair books that are damaged
- Talk about books that make you feel good
- Bring in a favourite book from home
- Share a book with a friend
- Make a display of favourite books
- Clean and tidy the book box

### Physical Development

- Can you fold the sheets of paper to make a book?
- Look at pop-up books – can you handle them carefully?
- Tidy books in the book box
- Parachute game – different types of books

### Expressive Arts and Design

- Make a flap book/ zig-zag book
- Make a bookmark
- Draw a picture of your favourite book and characters
- Role-Play area: At the library
- Straw, stick and brick house collage
- Junk modelling houses
- Bear sandwiches
- Paper lanterns
- Train cookies
- Printing on train outline
- Elephant sewing card
- Cooking flapjacks
- Make a clay bowl – paint and decorate

# BOOKS

### Understanding the World

- Make a book about The Ark
- Make our own library cards
- Make a book about your day
- Visit a library – how are the books organised?
- Ask a librarian to talk to us?

### Mathematics

Make a book that is small enough to go in Teddy's tiny box  
Order books according to height  
Which of these books is the smallest?  
Which of these books is the heaviest/ lightest?  
Which of these books have page numbers?  
Look at books containing numbers and shapes

### Literacy

- Point out words in books
- Read books in different languages
- Discuss with children the characters in books being read
- Encourage children to predict outcomes, to think of alternative endings, and to compare plots and the feelings of characters with their own experiences.
- Provide paper and staples/ sellotape for children to make their own books and write own stories/ facts