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Hello everyone!

We hope you are all well and that you enjoyed the sunshine over the half-term.

The grown-ups have been enjoying the weather too; celebrating birthdays with their families, gardening in the sun and running with friends (at a safe distance!) We have loved looking at pictures of your worry monsters and the other activities you have been busy completing in the sunshine. For those of you who will be celebrating your birthday during June, we would like to wish you a very happy birthday! We would love to see or hear about how you celebrated turning four.

I would like to take the opportunity to remind you about this year's art project. This year's chosen theme is "Moving and Growing." Your piece can be a drawing, painting, collage, a model or printmaking in any medium that can be displayed safely within school. Please could entries be no larger than A3. We would ask you to store the work at home safely until all children are invited to return safely to school.

Below you will find this week's activities. Remember, short, focussed activities are how I learn best, and its ok to take breaks if you need to. Please send any photographs to nurseryphotographs@fiveways.staffs.sch.uk as we would love to display the lovely things you are doing at home in our online gallery.

The Nursery staff continues to wish you and your family all the best during these strange times and would like you to know that we miss you very much!

Miss Grice, Mrs Clark, Mrs Fereday, Mrs Wright and Mrs Rock

Read Julia Donaldson's 'Room on the Broom'. Talk about the different animals on the Witch's broom. Can you name the emotions each animal displays? Can you say why they feel this way? Here is a link to the animated story:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/p0102qfj/room-on-the-broom>

Having listened to or watched 'Room on the Broom', can you retell the story? Who was in the story? Where did they go? What happened to them?

Complete a Cosmic Kids routine with Jaime. This story is called 'Cracker the Dragon of Wonder'. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7NWzS2xziI4>

Continue to recap the Jolly Phonics videos made by St. Julian's school on YouTube. Short, daily sessions of these songs will help me develop my phase 2 skills.

Create your own dragon's nest using resources from your home or garden. Add and take away dragon's eggs from the nest (these can be stones, pebbles or pinecones). How many have you added? How many have you taken out? Remember to use your finger to touch each egg as you count.

Investigate different ways of cooking eggs with a grown-up. Look carefully at the egg before it is cooked and after it is cooked. How has it changed?

Weekly Project:

We are continuing to focus on how we look after ourselves when we feel stressed, scared or frustrated. Change is really hard and it can make you feel a little bit wobbly. Each week we will be making something to add to our very own 'self-care kit'. The kit will have lots of different things inside to help us feel less wobbly.



The next object we are going to make is a 'calm jar'.

For this you will need a see-through container with a lid. This could be a pop bottle or a jam jar etc. You will need some water and a way of colouring it; this could be food colouring or a little paint. You could add cooking oil, glitter or sequins. You may also want to add small, washable toys to your calm jar. You will need some sticky tape or runny glue to seal your lid.

Here are some steps to help you complete this craft:

- 1) Remove any labels on your container.
- 2) If you are adding glitter or sequins, make sure your container is dry on the inside and that you put them in before you add anything else.
- 3) If you are adding oil to your calm jar/bottle then fill it a quarter of the way.
- 4) If you are adding toys or characters you can put them in now.
- 5) Mix your colouring and water together in a jug or cup and then add it to your jar/bottle. Make sure your container is completely full and be careful not to spill!
- 6) Put the lid on and ask a grown-up to help you make it very tight.
- 7) Use sticky tape or runny glue around the edge of your lid to help make your container leak-proof.
- 8) When you feel a little wobbly, shake your calm jar and then set it down, watching the way the glitter, oil and toys swirl around.

I wonder are there any other items or combinations you could add to a container? Which ones do you find the most calming to watch?

We would love to see pictures of your calm jars, ready to help you swirl your wobbles away!