# 4K Learning at Home

#### Fun Online Learning For Kids:

www.starfall.com Alphabet Learning Fun for letters and sounds

www.gonoodle.com Great movement fun for inside the house, can be done in small spaces

www.Abcmouse.com All around learning. They offer a 30 day free trial to check it out.

https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html?caching Scholastic

<u>www.Youtube.com</u> ebooks and Cosmic Kids yoga. Search Preschool Movement for some fun movement activities.

https://wplc.overdrive.com/ Wisconsin's digital library

Teach Your Monster to Read app

https://preschoolinspirations.com/kid-yoga-videos/ a compilation of online yoga/movement ideas for at home

<u>www.learningwithouttears.com</u> - Handwriting Without Tears program we use at 4K, they offer a trial period of their online learning platform for parents at home. You can log in and your child can practice making letters. They also have an app for writing letters Wet/Dry/Try

List of educational companies offering free subscriptions.

"www.amazingeducationalresources.com"

#### Ways to Practice the Alphabet at Home:

- Encourage pretend play with written materials such as menus, tickets, lists, notes, magazines.
- Read books with your child and point to letters/words on each page.
- Make playdough and then practice using playdough to make letters.
- Put shaving cream, rice, flour on a tray and encourage your child to use their finger to write their name and letters.
- Draw letters on the sidewalk in chalk.
- Make a hopscotch with letters and name the letters as you jump to them.

- Use small materials around the house (noodles, pipe cleaners, legos) to build letters.
- Write one letter on a large sheet of paper. Have your child rainbow write the letter by tracing over it with four or more colors using crayons or markers.
- Match uppercase to uppercase letters. When they can do that you can match uppercase and lowercase letters.
- Write the letters or use flashcards from at home. You can hang them around the house, give your child a paper and crayon. When your child finds them he/she can write them on a piece of paper.
- Hide the letters you wrote around the house and go on a letter hunt bringing them back to you. Put the letters in alphabetical order after you have found them all.
- Sing the alphabet or letter sound songs.
- Match objects/toys from around your house with each letter of the alphabet. You can use letter flash cards.

#### Ways to Practice Math at Home:

- Play games practice one to one correspondence while counting to move your piece.
- Write numbers on paper and have your child put the correct number of toys by each number.
- Count! (forwards and backwards) Take turns counting back and forth, count rolling a ball back and forth, count how many steps you take when you are on a walk, count how many legos/cars/dolls he/she has.
- Sort toys. Your child can get their favorite toy and sort by the colors, sizes of the toys, types of toys.
- Build with pretzels/toothpicks and marshmallows. You can practice making shapes.
- Have your child count out things you need for lunch/dinner (forks, spoons, knives). How many things in all did they get out?
- Make a number hopscotch.
- Write numbers and hide them around your house. Have your child find them on a number hunt and bring them back to you. Challenge, put them in order from 1-10 or even 1-20 when you have found them all.
- Visit mathlearningcenter.org (Bridges site) Click the For Families tab and they
  have lots of online game resources. Also if you click Resources, then
  Lessons/Publications you can see the PreK Story Collection. In March we have
  been reading BB Bots Shop. You could reread some of that story or read the
  ones your child hasn't read yet. These are available as an ebook or to download
  and print as a pdf.

## Ways to Practice Your Name at Home:

- Write your child's name on a piece of paper, cut it apart and have them practice
  putting it back together in order. You could also do this by writing letters of their
  name on legos/duplos and have them practice putting it together.
- Practice naming letters in their name.
- Name recognition practice identifying and finding their name around the house.
- Name writing Start by practicing the first letter of your child's name as a capital letter
- Write your child's name on paper and have them rip paper and glue it on the lines to make their name.

### Ways to Practice Reading at Home:

- Read books every day.
- Look at the cover of a book together and talk about the picture. Notice and point out the title, where it says the author and illustrator and what each of them do.
- Look at the cover of the book and make a prediction about the book. "Why do you think there is an apple?" "Why do you think the girl looks sad?"
- Go through the book without reading the words and just look at the pictures.
   Then go back and read the story.
- Talk about the book as you read. Wonder out loud about things you see and ask questions to your child.
- Practice knowing where the words are versus the pictures.
- Track with your finger while you read, have your child help show you where to start and help track as you read.
- Ask you child to tell you one of their favorite stories by remembering it.

#### Other Things to Practice:

- Make projects, cut/color/glue be creative.
- Pretend! Play restaurant, house, etc. This works on social interactions, communication, taking turns...
- Play board games. Help your child practice following directions, taking turns, paying attention and being a good sport.
- Put puzzles together.
- Be Kind! Find something you can do to make someone else's day better.
- Have your child help with things around the house.
- Practice independence... putting on their own clothes, socks, shoes. Picking up when they are done with things.