

Good morning Red Class! Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup> 2020

It's Tuesday - time to do some handwriting practice, and think about our 'Seed Stories' once again!

And don't forget, you can always choose any activity from the Red Class Home Learning Pack!

## Handwriting

Today we are practising the 'upside-downers' family of letters. There are only 2 of these!

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Have a look at the next document for some video clips, pictures and support for these letter sounds and how to write them.

## Messy Handwriting!

What you need:

A flat tray or transparent plastic sandwich bag (one of the zip-loc ones is best, but any will do!), shaving foam or washing up liquid, a variety of blunt ended tools for writing (eg lolly stick, paintbrush, round end of a pencil, a pen with lid on etc), sticky tape.

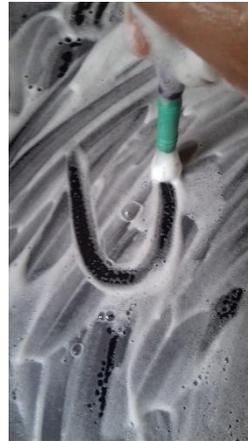
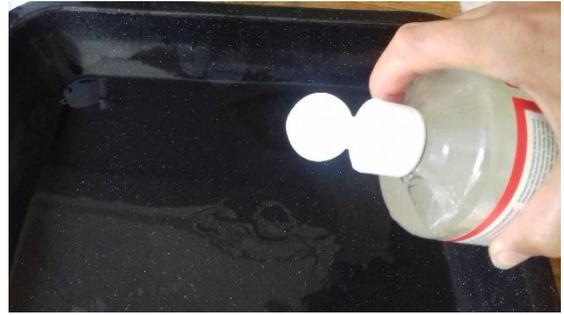
1. Find a flat tray or a transparent plastic bag. Put a little of the shaving foam or washing up liquid on the tray or inside the bag. Use your hands to make as much froth as you can. You could add some glitter or a few drops of colour.
2. Smooth the froth in the tray, or flatten out the bag and either zip the top or turn the top edge over and tape it so none of the foam can escape. Have a look at the attached page for some pictures and instructions!
3. Next use your finger or any of your blunt ended tools to 'write' some upside-downer patterns and then try writing u and y. We only have 2 'upside-downers' today, so you could try some of the other sounds you know too!

## Time for a challenge!

- Have a try at writing each letter u and y on lined paper. Remember that the u sits on the line, and the y hangs its tail down under the line.
- Look at your list of tricky words - are there any with these 'upside-downers' in them? Can you write them?
- Choose your favourite story - how many words can you find with u and y in the book?

## Messy Handwriting!

1. Put some washing up liquid or shaving foam into a tray or plastic zippy bag. You could add a few drops of colour or some glitter.
2. Foam it up well with your hands.
3. Use your finger, a paintbrush, lolly stick or any other tool to make your 'upside downers' patterns and letters.



## 'Seed Stories' - Superworm Safari!

### What you need:

Paper, pencils, coloured pencils.

If you have them: clipboard / something to lean on to write when you are on your Superworm Safari, magnifying glass, small pots.

1. Listen to this story- it's one of my favourites! It's about an unlikely superhero - who helps out his friends and has a wiggly adventure! Can you guess which story it might be? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GeeMj5IVKZA&feature=share>
2. While you are watching, try to spot as many garden creatures as you can! How many can you find?
3. Make a list of all the different minibeasts in the story.
4. Next for your Superworm Safari! Take your list with you into your garden or when you go out for a walk. How many of Superworm's friends can you find there? Perhaps you might even find some Superworms living in your garden soil!
5. You might want to collect some of the creatures you find in small pots and **observe** them more closely. Can you **record** how many of each minibeast you find? Or perhaps you could draw some of them carefully.
6. Remember to return any living creatures carefully to their habitat (home) when you have finished your observations and recording.

### Extra activity (but only if you want to!):

Can you wiggle like a worm? Or dance like a dragonfly? Maybe you can slither like a slug or slide like a snail? Can you think of a movement for each of the minibeasts that you spotted in the story 'Superworm'?

I have attached some suggestions to get you started!

And finally.....

I love reading stories, and have missed storytime in Red Class very much! To make me feel better I have made another storytime video for you to watch!

<https://www.stmarysrc.e-sussex.sch.uk/red-class-at-home>

Today's story reminded me of all of the lovely outdoors pictures you have been sending me! It is from "The Big Alfie Out of Doors Storybook" and is called "Shop".

I hope you enjoy listening as much as I enjoyed reading the story out loud!

