

Mini Mash tasks:

Parents, you will need to help your child to log on and do this with them until they are familiar with Mini Mash.

These are some of the activities we would like you to help your child to do this week:



Go into the phonics book that the teacher on Mini Mash is holding.

Click on the green Alphabet Slideshows. Watch the 'S' slideshow, don't forget to press the sound button each time.

Ask your child what objects they can remember beginning with the S sound.

Go Back, then click on the teacher's book again and click on the purple 2Create a Story, then click on My simple Story on the left.

Ask your child to draw objects beginning with S on each page. They can type lots of S underneath, or try typing the word. Encourage them to remember some of the S objects and to draw one on each page.

Please save your book by clicking on the purple tab, top left, click save and help your child to select their own tray to save it in. Your teachers are keen to see what you have done.

The children can draw other pictures at any time and save it in their trays so that we can see their work.



Now we would like you to find out about some animals.

Click on the yellow moving picture on the wall (behind the table).

Go to the Zoo and click on the zebra picture, watch the video to see some animals.

Then click on the animal pictures and get your child to click and drag the animals onto the picture. This will help them to learn the names of these animals.

We would love to see some of their own animal pictures if they want to go to 2Create a story again as yesterday, draw some and Save them to their tray (instructions as yesterday).



Click on the animal painting hanging from the string in the Mini Mash Classroom.

Ask your child to draw their favourite animals using the gorgeous pens. We had fun trying this one!

Then remind them how to save them in their tray so we can see them (purple button top left).



Now we would like your child to count some animals. From the Mini Mash home page, click on the blonde boy with the building blocks. Then click on the purple 2Count picture. Get them to choose the farm animals option and to add animals to the bar chart and to count how many of each animal. They will need you to ask them how many of each and to double check that they are touch counting each animal carefully rather than reciting numbers. Ask them questions such as which animal is there more/fewer of/the same.



Playing animal pairs.

Click on the children playing games at the green table. Then scroll forward to the pairs game and let your child play some animal pairs, maybe start off with 4 cards, then progressing to 8 cards. There are some lovely baby animals games and minibeasts games.

