

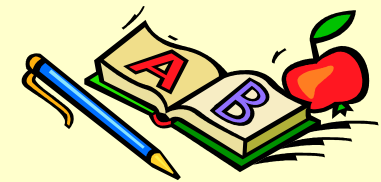
## Exciting Things To Do Together

There are lots of fun activities you can do as a family to help your child with their learning and to support the school curriculum

- Visit a museum or historical site
- Walk in a woodland
- Visit the library and choose a book
- Plan a route using maps, compass or GPS
- Look at the stars at night and find out about the planets
- Go shopping and use real money
- Plant seeds and watch them grow
- Make a tent, indoors or out!
- Search for mini beasts or go pond dipping
- Make a model, picture or collage with everyday household items
- Find time to sit together and think and dream



# Ready To Learn Everyday AT HUNNYHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL



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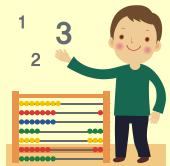
### Helping Hand: At Home

- Help your child to have all the equipment they need for learning
- Ask your child what they have learnt at school and take an interest in these topics
- Allow your child to help you with shopping, cooking and other jobs around the house
- Be patient when your child is helping
- Make time for regular reading with your child including books, magazines, newspapers and online.



### Helping With Homework

- Provide a quiet place for your child to work
- Help your child develop a routine and set dedicated time aside
- Give encouragement and support to help your child complete their homework
- Help your child to learn the basics such as spellings and tables
- Take time to answer your child's questions and address their concerns



## Helping Your Child to Learn In And Out Of the Home

- Link your child's learning to family activities – see back page for ideas
- Look for things in your local area that will help your child learn such as nature reserves and museums
- Spend time playing outside and talk about the world around them
- Get to know what your child is learning and ask the school about it
- Take time to listen to your child and explain things carefully, developing their understanding and vocabulary

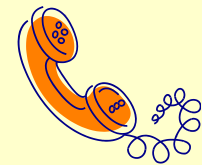


### Helping Hand: At School

- Offer to help out with educational trips, visits and clubs when you can
- Ask your child's teacher how you can help in class e.g. with reading and practical activities
- Attend as many parents' meetings as you can, especially ones that are about learning
- If your school offers family learning, try to get involved

## Helping With Communication

- You and your child's school both want the best for them so don't be afraid to ask questions
- Read the information the school provides – letters, leaflets, emails, texts or online
- Keep the school informed about family changes that might affect your child's learning, however small
- Respond promptly to school communications and let school know if you change your contact details



### Helping With School Life

- Join the PTA and get involved with fundraising to support your child's school
- If your school has a Parents' Forum, use this to share views and ideas
- Take part in a Parent Helper Training Programme; this will help your own child as well as other pupils
- Give constructive feedback to your child's school about what is working well

