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Together we *learn, grow* and  
*dream*

## Butterflies Home Learning Ideas

### Traditional Tales – How do we tell stories?

Learning at home doesn't need to be formal – it happens naturally through everyday talk, play and shared experiences.

Here are some simple, fun ideas you can enjoy together if you wish.

#### **Speaking & Listening**

- Read a favourite story together and talk about what's happening.
- Ask questions like "What happened next?" or "How did that character feel?"
- Encourage your child to retell stories using toys, teddies or puppets.

#### **Feelings & Friendships**

- Talk about how characters feel and link this to real-life experiences.
- Take turns acting out stories to practise sharing.
- Praise your child when they show kindness, confidence or independence.

#### **Moving & Using Our Bodies**

- Act out stories together - tiptoe, stomp, jump and run like the characters.
- Practise dressing skills such as putting on coats, shoes and zipping up.
- Build houses or towers using blocks, boxes or Lego.

#### **Reading & Mark Making**

- Share books daily and let your child choose their favourites.
- Encourage drawing, scribbling or mark making linked to stories.
- Spot letters in your child's name or familiar words in books.

#### **Numbers & Shapes**

- Count story characters together (e.g. three bears).
- Compare sizes – big/small, tall/short - using everyday objects.
- Talk about what happens first, next and last in stories.

**Exploring the World**

- Talk about different homes and places in stories.
- Share family stories or traditions from your own childhood.
- Go for walks and chat about what you see, linking it to story settings.

**Being Creative**

- Create story-inspired pictures or models using craft or junk materials.
- Sing songs or make up actions linked to stories.
- Dress up and invent new characters or endings.

**Gentle Reminder**

There is no expectation to complete everything.

Even small moments of shared reading, talking and play make a big difference.

Most of all, enjoy these moments together.