



### **Activities at Home**

**Dear Parents,**

**The activity for week 5 beginning 7<sup>th</sup> October is: ‘Russia and Russian Nesting Dolls’**

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**The activity we will be covering involves:**

- Talking about Russia, the biggest country in the world
  - Looking at the Russian alphabet and learning how to say hello and thank you
  - Learning about size while looking at Matryoshka Nesting Dolls
  - Participating in an art activity – making and decorating Russian dolls
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**Our activity includes:**

- At first the children will find out some interesting facts about the largest country in the world such as Lake Baikal, the deepest lake in the world.
- The children will be shown Russia on a world map and on the globe. We will compare the size of Russia to United Kingdom.
- We will talk about Moscow, the capital city and the children will be shown some iconic buildings such as The Kremlin and St Basil’s Cathedral.
- We will look at Russian alphabet and the children will be encouraged to learn few Russian words such as hello and thank you.
- We will look at traditional Russian Nesting Dolls and the children will have the opportunity to investigate them closely. We will talk about their

size and the children will have a chance to grade them from the smallest to the biggest.

- The children will participate in an art activity and will be encouraged to decorate a set of paper Russian Dolls.

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**You might wish to help your child to explore this topic at home or when you are out and about. Please feel free to approach the teachers for further explanations.**

**Our suggested activities are:**

- Decorate a set of wooden Russian Dolls (you can buy them on Amazon or John Lewis).
- Visit a local library to get some Russian traditional stories or factual books about Russia
- Make some Russian food with your child or visit a Russian restaurant
- Paint a Russian flag with your child