



Activities at Home

Project: 'Marvellous Me'

Dear Parents,

The activity for week: 8 beginning: 30th October

Is: 'My Fantastic Family'

The activity we will be covering involves:

- Learning about how families are all different
- Talking about the people (and animals) in our families and why they are special to us
- Reading the story '*In Every House on Every Street*'
- Creating our own craft with a photograph of our families-parents will be contacted via Tapestry a week before the lesson happens and asked to upload a family photo for the lesson-please include pets in the photo if you have any as they are much loved family members too!

Our activity includes:

- We will start by sharing the story '*In Every House on Every Street*', taking lots of time to explore and discuss the different families that we see in the illustrations
 - The children will be invited to talk about their own families, sharing family photographs and talking about the different people in their families
 - The children will be invited to decorate a folding house craft, gluing a photograph of their families in the centre and then decorating the front of the house. They will be encouraged to consider what their own houses look like, for example attempting to write their own house numbers on the front of their crafts
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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:

- Create a photo album at home, with experiences that the children have shared with you as well as a few photos of your lives before children and even possibly before each other. Include photographs of wider family such as aunts, uncles and cousins. The children will love learning stories all about your lives before them and it is a lovely way for them to deepen their connections to family members that they see less frequently
- When sharing stories, talk about the family of the main character. If they are present in the story, talk about how they might support the main character; if they do not appear in the story then maybe you can talk about what you think the family might be like. Compare the family to your own; although there might be some differences, is your child able to find any similarities?



The Big Question: Ask your child.....
Can you create a 'recipe' for a special family?