

Bunny Bunting



The activities in this Programme link to the Squirrel Smile Awards. – I’m Learning by helping the Squirrels develop their scissor skills through cutting this large simple bunny shape! Some Squirrels may need more adult supervision and support than others! The ‘bunny bunting’ can be used for Easter decorations or coloured in to look like everyone’s favourite bunny – Peter Rabbit! Peter and his friends love vegetables so this could also fit in with the I’m Active badge!

An introductory activity can be used as the Squirrels arrive at the meeting place – colouring or simple puzzles can keep children occupied until all the Drey arrives or use a ‘joining-in’ style game, such as ‘The farmer wants a wife’ or ‘Duck, duck, goose’ or a circle format ball game. Add snack time where necessary!

TIME (mins)	ACTIVITY	EQUIPMENT
5	Welcome, Register, Opening Ceremony, Introduction to Programme	
10	<p>GAME: Bunny Hops</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>The Squirrels move around the hall following the instructions called out by a Leader</i> ○ <i>‘Bunny hops’ – hop around on one foot</i> ○ <i>‘Bunny jumps’ – bounce around like a real bunny!</i> ○ <i>‘Bunny leaps’ – make big jumps</i> ○ <i>‘Bunny sleeps’ – curl up on the floor for a little sleep!</i> 	None
10	<p>GAME: What’s the time, Mr Tod?</p> <p>Poor Peter Rabbit and his friends, Benjamin Bunny, Lily Bobtail and Squirrel Nutkin are always being chased by Mr McGregor, Old Brown the owl and Mr Tod, the fox!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Play this game in a similar way to ‘What’s the time, Mr Wolf!’</i> ○ <i>Perhaps the Squirrels can pretend to be their favourite character from the Peter Rabbit stories!</i> 	None
10	<p>GAME: Mr McGregor’s Garden</p> <p>Peter Rabbit and his friends love the delicious food in McGregor’s garden – radishes are their favourite! But Mr McGregor and his cat don’t want unwanted visitors in their garden!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Choose a Squirrel to be Mr McGregor and another to be his cat. They stand in the centre of the hall holding hands – they mustn’t break hands!</i> ○ <i>The rest of the Drey stand at one end of the hall – they are Peter Rabbit and his friends! They have to try and get to the other end without being caught by Mr McGregor or the cat.</i> ○ <i>If a Squirrel is caught they join hands with the Squirrel who caught them!</i> ○ <i>Gradually a chain will form across the hall, they must all hold hands! The other Squirrels will have to be very wily to try and get past!</i> ○ <i>Stop when the chain becomes too long or starts to get unruly and start again with a new Mr McGregor and his cat!</i> 	None



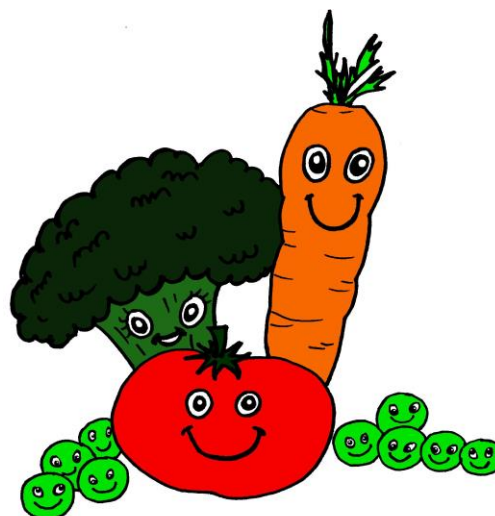
10	<p>ACTIVITY: Bunny Bunting This simple bunny shape can be used as Easter decorations for the meeting place or home! Decorate with bright patterns or collage material or colour to resemble Peter Rabbit and his friends! Punch holes in the ears and thread through string, wool or ribbon – attach all the Drey’s bunnies together for some bright bunting!</p> <p>Beatrix Potter wrote The Tale of Peter Rabbit in the early 1900s followed by other stories featuring Benjamin Bunny, Jeremy Fisher, Mrs Tiggywinkle and many more woodland creatures familiar to her Lake District home! Check out the website below for information on characters and colouring sheets based on Potter’s original drawings! www.peterrabbit.com/en/fun_and_games/colouring_activities The Squirrels will be more familiar with the CBeebies Peter Rabbit and his exciting adventures with his best friends!</p>	Bunny templates printed on thin card Scissors Art materials Hole punch and string, wool or ribbon
10	<p>GAME: Vegetable Garden</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Encourage the Squirrels to eat up their vegetables – just like Peter Rabbit!</i> ○ <i>Stick the ‘Yes I will!’ cards onto the walls at each end of the hall</i> ○ <i>The Squirrels start off in the middle of the hall, when a Leader calls out, ‘Eat up all my carrots’ – they run to the ‘Yes I will card’</i> ○ <i>Then a Leader calls out, ‘Eat up all my broccoli’ and they run to the other ‘Yes I will!’</i> ○ <i>There isn’t any option for ‘no I won’t!’ – so if they are going to join in and run – it has to be ‘Yes I will!’</i> ○ <i>Send home the ‘Vegetable Garden Promise Pledge’ below!</i> 	2 cards with ‘Yes I will!’ printed on them Blutack Vegetable Garden Promise Pledge cards
5	Closing, Home	

I promise to eat up all my vegetables this week!

I promise to try one new vegetable that I have never eaten before!

Veggies are yummy
in our tummy!

Signed:



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