



HELLO!

Welcome to Creating Space Chippy...

We hope you enjoy this Family Activity Bag. It is a tricky time for all of us with everything feeling uncertain and restricted.

However, we hope this bag of resources and ideas will go a little way to providing some entertainment, inspiration and fun. Each week we will have a different theme and provide a main craft activity, plus activities and suggestions for indoors, outdoors, music and movement, plus some crazy facts and jokes to keep you going. Enjoy!!

This week's theme is:
IMAGINATION & DREAMS

We are all feeling rather topsy turvy at the moment... How we live our lives has changed dramatically in a short space of time. We might be feeling worried and frustrated and getting a bit grumpy because there are so many ways that we are being restricted.

"You can't go here, you can't go there...You can't do this, you can't do that!"

SO this week we are going to focus on where we CAN go with our imaginations and dreams helped along by the wonderful Dr.Seuss book "Oh, the places you'll go."

You may be stuck at home, but your imagination and dreams can take you absolutely ANYWHERE! Where will you let them take you??

Have fun and keep in touch via @creatingspace.chippy on Instagram. A Creating Space Storytime with Pug session of "Oh, the places you'll go" will be online very soon so look out for it on Insta or stmaryscnorton.com Family Resources page.

Take good care, Catherine & The Creating Space Crew



Main Craft:

'Oh, the places you'll go':

Hot-air balloon paper-based craft

Remember - as you are making the balloon be thinking about where it will take you and your imagination!!

Resources:

Coloured card in five colours

A glass/mug to draw round & a pencil

Gluestick, string, ribbon, scissors

"You'll be on your way up!

You'll be seeing great sights!

You'll join the high fliers

Who soar to great heights!..."

Dr Seuss

If you could go anywhere in the world, floating along in your own hot-air balloon, where would you go? What might you hear or smell? How would everything look from that viewpoint? What do you think it would feel like being high amongst the clouds looking down on our world?

Directions:

1. Draw round a glass or mug (c.6-7cm diameter) to create four circles on each of the five pieces of coloured card.

2. Carefully cut them out (get an adult to help if you need to) and fold each in half.

3. Create one balloon by gluing five different coloured circles together using a gluestick so that it forms a sphere. Leave a small bit unglued at the bottom on each side to glue the ribbon into to attach balloon to basket.



4. Cut out a basket shape for each balloon. You could use a cereal packet and colour or stick paper on to decorate, or leftover card. *Get inventive and make a 3D one! Yoghurt pot? Egg carton? Loo roll cut up?*

5. Cut the ribbon into eight pieces of the same length (we are using ribbon rather than string as seen in photo!) and glue one on each side of each balloon and then each basket and stick down the card.

6. Put a hole in each balloon at the top.

7. Thread the piece of string provided through each balloon (see top photo) and then hang up! Let it be a reminder of where your imagination and dreams will take you.

Get creative! Use magazine paper, recycled card, wrapping paper. Make 10, make 20. Write your dreams on the basket, decorate the balloon, make string out of cut up plastic bags - let your imagination run free! You could create other 3D shapes to make & hang together...

Handy Hint! If you don't have a holepunch to make the hole, place the card over some Blutac, Playdoh or a dry sponge and carefully press a sharp pencil through it.

Get an adult to help out!