

OTHER ACTIVITY IDEAS...

Here are a few more suggestions of activities you could do with the children. If you think of any more that are fun, please send them to me on: melanie.dammermann@thebp.co.uk.

SCIENCE – A BALANCED DIET This gives you a chance to talk to your partner about healthy and unhealthy food. You can also analyse their diet, and make some suggestions as to what makes a balanced diet.	BASIC	Get your partner/s to write a list of what they eat in an average day. Insert some pictures.
	INTERMEDIATE	Create a table to show what the child eats in an average day. Investigate healthy diets on the internet.
	ADVANCED	Create a spreadsheet to show what the child eats in an average day. How many calories is that? A 10 year old should have approx 2200 calories a day, how do they compare? Use formulas with your spreadsheet to work these out.
RELIGIOUS STUDIES – TREASURE HUNT Encouraging an awareness of different religions.	BASIC	Think of different religious icons and ask your partner to find out what they are, by searching on the internet.
	INTERMEDIATE	Get your partners to draw up an information sheet with pictures and descriptions.
	ADVANCED	Create cartoon stories of famous religious stories from different religions.
GENERAL ICT SKILLS – ID CARDS Useful word processing skills can be developed through creating ID cards with your partner's important information on it.	BASIC	Draw a box, about the size of a credit card. Get your partner to write their name, age, year group and any other important information on it. Print it off.
	INTERMEDIATE	Add colours, different pictures, use different fonts etc.
	ADVANCED	Take a digital photo of your partners and include this on their cards as well.
GEOGRAPHY – THE UNITED KINGDOM Help pupils familiarize themselves with the British Isles and locations of major cities.	BASIC	In a paint programme, get your partner to draw, what they think is a rough outline of the UK. Add to your picture the locations of a few major cities.
	INTERMEDIATE	Add colours and pictures for points of interest in the UK e.g. a castle in Edinburgh, a boat in Portsmouth etc.
	ADVANCED	Copy pictures of different places from the internet and add them to the picture.
GEOGRAPHY – WORLD TEMPERATURES Encourages pupils to think about differences in weather between different locations around the world. Also familiarises them with terms of measurement for temperature.	BASIC	Chose 5 locations worldwide. Ask your partner/s to guess whether they're hotter or colder than England, get them to put them in a list from hottest to coldest. Find the actual temperatures of the places and write them in a table.
	INTERMEDIATE	Help your partner/s to plot the temperatures in a graph.
	ADVANCED	Add pictures and labels to the graph.

MATHS – PARTY FOOD You have a budget of £50 and you are throwing a party. Work out how many things you can buy using formulas and spreadsheets.	BASIC	First get kids to decide on what is nice party food, and how much each item would cost. Then with a budget of £50 get them to see what they would buy without spending too much.
	INTERMEDIATE	Get the children to think about different options for the same budget.
	ADVANCED	Change the budget / food, and start again!
ENGLISH – PARTY INVITE! Gets children thinking about persuasive language and informative invites.	BASIC	Create an invitation for a party.
	INTERMEDIATE	Add clip art and different text boxes in different areas.
	ADVANCED	Duplicate the invites so you can get several to a page. Create a mail merge filed with a list of fictional addresses.
ART & DESIGN – GREETINGS CARDS Find out when your partner/s have special occasions coming up, e.g. family birthday, Christmas /Eid etc.	BASIC	Design a greetings card.
	INTERMEDIATE	Design a more complicated greetings card!
	ADVANCED	Send an email greetings card, look at www.awesomecards.com / postcards.www.media.mit.edu/postcards/
SPORT – FOOTBALL RESULTS For children interested in footie, why not create a table of the football rankings of their favourite club.	BASIC	Copy and paste football rankings from the internet in to a spreadsheet.
	INTERMEDIATE	Create a graph to show how they've gone up / down over the years.
	ADVANCED	Create a power point presentation to encourage others to support the team.
MATHS – HEIGHTS Covers more abstract ideas concerning height and size differences.	BASIC	Using a spreadsheet, record how high your partner is. Search on the internet to find out how high different animals are. How many times bigger is that?
	INTERMEDIATE	Create graphs and charts to show comparisons.
	ADVANCED	Add pictures, make posters etc.
ICT – INTERNET SAFETY It is important that the children you're working with know the dangers of using the internet, and how and why you can surf safely.	BASIC	Make a list of 'safe surfing' rules. Print them off and display them in the computer room.
	INTERMEDIATE	Think about wider health and safety issues concerning using computers and other technology.
	ADVANCED	Create a presentation to deliver to other children about how to be safe on the internet and / or computers.