

Teach your parent..

- 1. Choose a 2-digit number and see if you can explain how many tens and ones it has. Remember, the tens column is worth groups of 10 and the ones column is worth individual ones. For example, $32 = 30 + 2$ because it has 3 tens and 2 ones.** Can you make your own examples and represent them using objects, drawings or Numicon?
- 2. How to sort objects by the materials they are made from.**
Find objects around your home such as a spoon, a jumper, a plastic bottle or a window. Sort them by the material they are made from (e.g. metal, fabric, plastic, glass or wood). Can you talk about the properties of each material and why it is suitable for its use? For example, windows are made from glass because glass is transparent, allowing light to pass through and letting us see outside. Useful property words include: **hard, soft, strong, flexible, waterproof, absorbent, transparent, opaque, rough** and **smooth**.
- 3. Letter formation.**
Can you show them how to form each letter of the alphabet correctly? Remember that some letters have ascenders (tall letters that reach above the line, such as *b, d, h, k, l*, and *t*) and some have **descenders** (letters that go below the line, such as *g, j, p, q* and *y*). Practise writing the alphabet carefully and then choose a few special words that are meaningful to you, such as family, school, friends, kindness, football, dance or Forest Park. Write them in your neatest handwriting.
- 4. The Colour Monster and emotions.**
We have been using *The Colour Monster* to think about our feelings. Can you create your own Colour Monster picture? Choose colours to represent different emotions, for example yellow for happiness, blue for sadness, red for anger, green for calmness and black for worry.
- 5. Can you be a history detective?**
Ask your parent or another family member what your local area looked like when they were younger. Was there a different shop, school, playground or park? Draw a "Then and Now" picture to show how things have changed over time and talk about the differences you discovered.