



# Half term Activities

Hi Year 4!

We hope you are well, enjoying family time and staying as safe as possible. As you have been working so hard for this half term, we thought it would be nice for you to do some fun activities over the half term holidays. All these activities are **optional** so please feel free to do as much or as little as you like. We hope you enjoy having a go at some of the activities and have a wonderful break.

Kind regards,  
Year 4 Teachers



Stay  
Safe  
And  
Stay  
Alert

# Pen Pals

**You'll need:** paper or card and some kind of writing tool

Flex your writing muscles and write a letter to older relatives or neighbours who might be feeling a little lonely right now. Let them know you're thinking of them, and if they live nearby you could even leave a sweet treat on their doorstep for them to enjoy while they read your letter. You could also write to any NHS staff and supermarket, pharmacy or post office workers that you know to say thank you for all the work they're doing to keep everything running during this time.

You could even write a letter to us your teachers or classmates. You can deliver your letter when we are united again. So what could you write about?

- What you have been up to.
- What you are looking forward to.
- Tell them a joke.





# Den building



## Make A Den

**You'll need:** cushions, blankets and chairs

Have some indoor fun. Drape blankets or sheets across the furniture in the living room and grab sofa cushions and pillows from your bedroom to make a cosy den to chill out in, watch a film or to play on your tablet in.

# Alphabet game

Basically to play the alphabet game you pick any subject you like girls' names, boys' names or even chocolate bars. Any subject at all. You have to then write the subject down for each letter of the alphabet. You can play with others and see who can do it the fastest.

For example, subject- animals

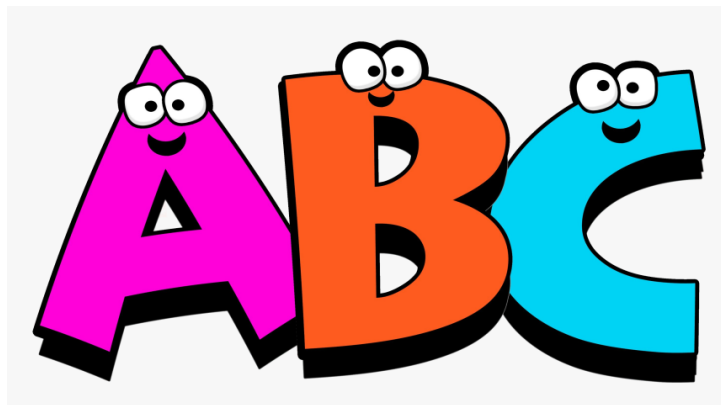
A- ant

B- bee

C- cat

D- dog

E- eagle



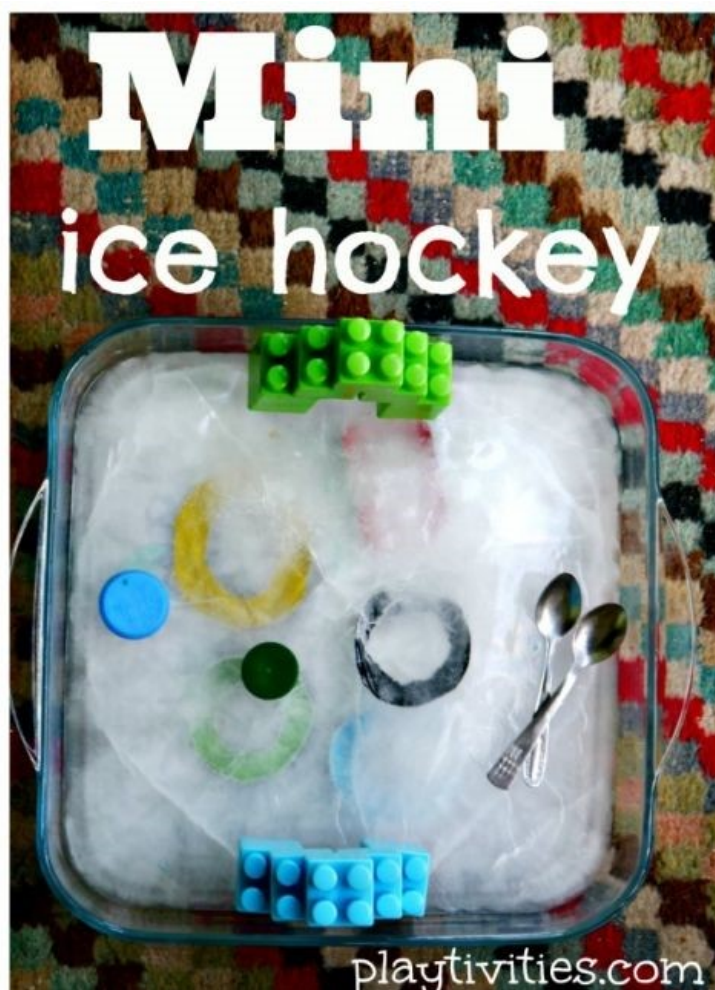


# Mini ice hockey

## Play Mini Ice Hockey

**You'll need:** a baking tray, water, post-it notes, spoons and a button or bottle lid

Freeze a layer of water in a baking tray to create your ice rink and stick a post-it note at either end of the tray to mark the goals. Use spoons as your hockey sticks and try to hit your button/lid puck against the post-it note on the other side of the tray.



# Teddy Zipwire

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**You'll need:** wire or string, a clothes hanger and your favourite soft toy.

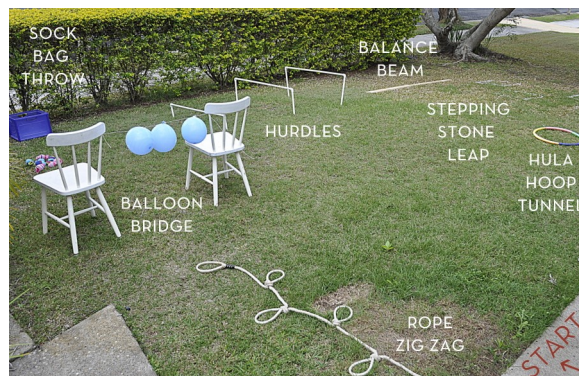
Tie a wire or string from a high point in the house to a low point (the higher the better), attach a soft toy to a hanger by hanging or clipping it on, send it down the zip wire and watch it zoom across the room.

It doesn't have to be a teddy bear but any toy. Why not build two zip wires and have a race?





# Obstacle Course



**You'll need:** furniture and any fun activities you can think up.

You can never go wrong with an obstacle course and they're a great way to improve coordination and motor skills. Set up a course all around the house (even the garden) with a range of different activities and motions, from jumping between sofas and throwing ping pong balls into a bucket to collecting Lego bricks along the way. The best part? It can be set up entirely indoors if it's a rainy day.



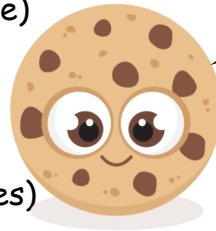
# Chocolate cookies

## Ingredients:

- 300g self-raising flour
- 30g cocoa powder
- 250g unsalted butter (room temperature)
- 125g caster sugar

## You will also need...

2 or 3 flat baking sheets (or bake in batches)



Why not make some half term chocolate biscuits?

## Method:

1. Preheat the oven to 190°C/170°C fan/gas 5. Sift together the flour and cocoa powder into a mixing bowl and set aside.
2. Cream together the butter and sugar until light and pale in colour (you can use a wooden spoon but it's easier and quicker with an electric hand whisk).
3. Mix in the sifted flour and cocoa - the mixture might look as if it needs liquid to bring it together, but keep working in the ingredients and it will form a dough.
4. Working quickly, roll the dough between the palms of your hands into walnut-sized balls and arrange on the baking sheets, spaced well apart. Flatten the cookie dough balls with the back of the fork.
5. Bake the cookies in the preheated oven for 5mins, then turn the temperature down to 170°C/150°C fan/gas 2 for a further 15-20 mins.
6. The biscuits should feel firm on top but not hard. Remove from the oven and transfer to cool on a wire rack, before storing in airtight container.

