

Me and My Community

Nursery (Autumn)



Construction and small world

Mini-Me

Take full-length photos of the children and attach them to wooden blocks to help them stand.

Families

Provide family-themed puppets or a small world house with furniture and people for the children to explore.

Emergency services

Provide a range of small world resources on the theme of 'people who help us'. Include emergency vehicles for the children to imagine and create scenarios.



Creative

Paint a friend

Provide clear perspex screens and plastic mirrors for the children to paint on. Encourage the children to stand opposite a friend so they can paint each other's faces on the screens.

Make a face

Display laminated pictures of the staff and children's faces and dry wipe markers for the children to mark make on the pictures.

Self-portraits

Provide mirrors, paper, pens and coloured pencils for the children to draw self-portraits.



Sand and water

Tea party

Add a variety of cups, jugs, teapots and spoons for tea party fun. Add an unscented bubble bath to the water so it is foamy.



Outdoor

Tidy team

Provide sweeping brushes, cleaning cloths, squirty bottles, buckets of soapy water and fluffy dusters for cleaning fun with friends.

Planting

Provide pots, tubs, soil, watering cans, gloves and bulbs and seeds for children to plant. Watch them grow!

Where shall we go?

Provide remote-controlled cars for the children to explore. Add photographs of local landmarks for the children to manoeuvre between.



Role play/Communication

My home

Set up a home area with familiar resources and dress up clothes. Have boxes of resources to enhance their play, such as play food, cleaning resources and home office equipment.

Babies

Provide baby dolls, bottles, baby clothes, nappies, pushchairs and cots for the children to explore and care for.

People who help us

Provide a variety of dress up clothes and props on the theme of 'people who help us', for the children to explore.



Malleable/Fine Motor

Mark making fun

Offer cornflour gloop and shaving foam in a Tuff Tub for the children to explore in pairs and friendship groups.

Dough families

Provide play dough and a range of tools and cutters. Include people shaped cutters.



Mathematics

Subitising

Provide pictures of the children in different groupings and pictures of fingers up to three. Add to the maths area or display around the room. Encourage the children to subitise.

Comparing size

Provide large sheets of paper for the children to draw around themselves. Challenge the children to find out who is the tallest using bricks and blocks for measuring.



Reading/Writing

Family and friends

Provide baskets of books on the theme of family and friendship for the children to share.

People who help us

Create a 'People Who Help Us' sign. Add a selection of books, small world characters and dress up clothes.



Investigation

What's that sound?

Record various familiar sounds on sound buttons for the children to listen to and identify. Can they guess the sound?

Note: Sounds could include footsteps, dog barking, baby crying, keys jangling, kettle boiling, running water, phone ringing and typing on a keyboard.

