


## Literacy Choice Board

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<p><b>Letter Hunts</b>_ get out magazines, flyers, Aldi brochures etc. and the scissors and get chopping! Pick a different letter or <u>sight word</u> each day and have your child hunt for &amp; cut out all the target letter or words they can find. Create a collage on a page. Find the letters in their name! Create a name collage. This is great for letter revision, familiarisation with different fonts and environmental print.</p>	<p><b>Reading</b> Read or listen to <b>How I Became a Pirate</b> or any other Pirate/Water themed book you have.</p>	<p><b>Bun Case Tricky Word Game</b> Write the tricky words on the base of the bun case. Call out tricky word, child finds it and puts an object in it or stacks it.</p>	<p>Find 4 things in the garden beginning with the letter <b>p</b>.</p>
	<p>Find 3 things in the sitting room beginning with the letter <b>l</b>.</p>		<p>Read (or <b>listen here</b>) 'A Squash and a Squeeze' by Julia Donaldson.</p>
	<p>Get a milk carton. How many of the letters are vowels? (a, e, i, o, u)</p>		<p><b>Listening activity</b> Follow the directions – Pirates</p>
	<p><b>Talk like a pirate</b> How many words can you think of that have the <u>ar</u> sound? <u>arm</u>, <u>car</u> Make a list and say them like a pirate!</p>	<p><b>Writing</b> If I were a pirate (write in copy or page) <i>Complete after lots of pirate play and reading pirate books.</i></p>	<p><b>Visual Literacy</b> If it's not a wave.....then what is it? Examine the picture with your child and discuss the endless possibilities of what it could be and finish the picture.</p>

## Maths

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<p><u>Card Game</u> Get a pack of cards and order cards 1-10. (Pretend that ace = 1) What comes before 6? What comes after 8? Etc. Challenge: Can you make a card house?</p>	<p><u>Number Hunt</u> Find numbers when you are doing your letter hunt. Cut them out and stick them in your copy or page. 1-5 (Juniors) 1-10 (Seniors)</p>	<p><u>Treasure Chest</u> You are a pirate and you love to count the money in your treasure chest, how many 10c coins can you find?</p>
<p><u>Matching</u> Put all the socks into pairs after the washing is done. <u>Extra:</u> Make a sock puppet with an odd sock you find.</p>	<p><u>Capacity</u> Compare various sized containers and whether they would hold more or less water than each other. Test this out by filling one container from another. Estimate and then test out how many egg cups or spoons would fill the containers. Choose which method of measuring to use (cups or spoons) to measure various containers.</p>	<p><u>Roll and Count</u> Roll the dice, take that amount of 1c coins and add to your treasure chest.</p>
<p><u>3-D Shape Pirate</u> Make a pirate or robot using 3-D shapes (Junk Art + recyclables)</p>	<p>(Great activity to complete outside)</p>	<p><u>Pirate Addition</u> Complete the Pirate addition page. (Use your treasure to help you work out the answers).</p>

## Water + Pirates

### Science -Floating and Sinking

Identify the terminology of floating and sinking and talk about objects they think would sink and others they think will float. Test various objects in the sink/bath/basin of water. Encourage them to estimate and give reasons for their choice first. Once the experiment has been completed, talk about why certain objects floated or sank, mentioning the materials, weight, etc (floating objects could be identified as being light, made of wood or filled with air for example).

Draw a picture of everything that floated and sank. (see table below)

### Geography

Talk about why water is important and whether we could live without it. List ways people use water everyday (at home, work, in the garden, travel, sport etc) The children can then draw a picture of a time today when they used water.

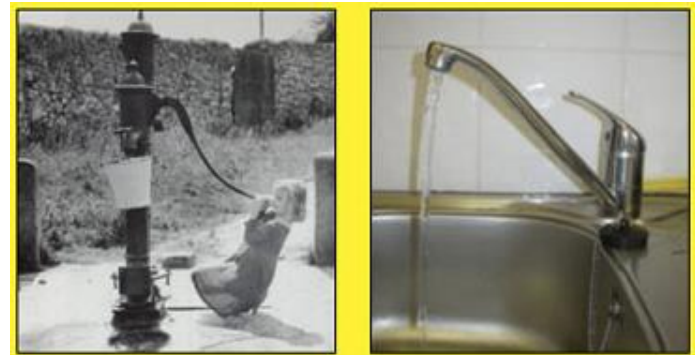
Discuss ways to save and conserve water in your house.

Watch this video, [Save Water](#) and see if you thought of all the ways you can save water.

### History

Discuss what is happening in the images below.

Have you ever seen a water pump before? Where?



Find out if anyone in your family had to use a water pump. (grandparents?)

Listen [here](#) about getting water in the past.

Draw a picture of the water pump in Staplestown (beside the school – near the playscape).

### Music

[If You Want to Be a Pirate](#)

### SPHE

Safety Book - [Say Hello to Paws](#)  
Paws [Junior + Senior Infants](#)  
(Primary Aquatics Water Safety)  
<https://watersafety.ie/>

## Art

Make a pirate ship using junk art materials.

Make a treasure chest using junk art materials (egg box).

Make a pirate sword.

## Drama

Pretend to be a pirate.

Dress up and walk the plank.

Captaining the ship and steering it through the sea.

Be a lookout in the Crow's Nest.

Taking part in a naval battle.

Acting like a **pirate** on land.

Talk like a pirate

