

Paddington Bear goes to the Tower

This week we are looking at the country where we live and the people who are important to the country.

The story was based in London. London is our capital. If you and your child have been lucky to travel to London in the past, remind them of the places you visited using photos. In the story Paddington went to the Tower of London. This is where the Queen keeps all her shiny Jewels and Crowns.

Make a Crown

Using some card or paper cut a crown. Ask your child to decorate it. You could use shiny sweet wrappers or tin foil to make diamonds and jewels. Find a sheet or piece of material and make a cloak. Maybe your child could be a King or Queen for the day! Make a castle den using sheets over chairs or sofa's.

Paint a painting of Paddington



Read further Paddington Bear Stories

You may have Paddington Bear stories in your book shelves. Mine are from when I was a child myself and are therefore very old! If you do not have any you may be able to access some from the local library. If you were a library card holder before the lockdown you can still borrow virtual books. See <https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/libraries> for further information. Otherwise there are lots of YouTube videos of different people reading Paddington stories.

Paddington Movie

I love both of the recent Paddington films. Have an afternoon or evening cuddling up on the sofa to watch them, maybe with a marmalade sandwich! The second film, Paddington 2 is currently free on BBC iPlayer (looks like it is available to watch on this platform until Saturday 9th May).



By completing these activities with your child you will cover the following areas of the EYFS

Physical development (Painting - fine motor skills and gross motor skills), **Personal and social development** (sharing a story or a film with you), **Communication and Language development** (talking and asking questions about the world we live in), **Literacy** (listening to the story; development of language such as 'shiny' 'sparkly'), **Numeracy** (colours and shapes - e.g. diamonds), **Exploring the world** (looking at where we live, who is our Queen. Where Paddington's family lived, Peru) **Expressive Art and Design** (designing a crown, making a castle).

