

Celebrating families

Learn about the world around us, our community and our families and encourage children to communicate and share experiences with this activity.

Resources

- IT (computer / iPads etc.)
- · Books about families from around the world
- Large scrap books
- Small world resources.

Activity outline

- Ask the children to bring in photos of their wider family and where they live
- Start to create a scrapbook with these pictures and ask children to talk about the people in the photos or children could make their own book if they wanted to
- Add annotations to the photos to give them more meaning
- Now look at different families from around the world
 - What do children think families look like in different places?
 - o Where do they live?
 - o Where do the children go to school?
 - o What do they wear?
 - o What do they do at the weekends?
- Look at a variety of different places, such as Australia, Sweden, Japan, Chile, The Gambia, so the children can see a wide range of places. You could choose a different country each day!
- Use the IT or the books to research the different places.
 - The children may come up with their own things they wish to research, if not why not have a list of things they may choose to start them off?
- Children may wish to present their work to you (or their parents) and tell you what they have found out, this is a good skill to develop. Try to encourage this wherever possible.

Extending the activity

Why not try food from the different countries on each day too? This will enable children to expand their experience whilst trying out new food and developing their taste for food.

