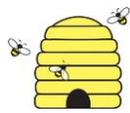


Here are some Funky Fingers activities for you to try at home. These activities help children to develop their fine motor skills as well as being fun and engaging. It is a quick activity and in school, we usually play a song to show the duration of Funky Fingers time! Please feel free to try these out and let us know how you get on and which your favourites are.

Have fun!



<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Cheerio Threading</b></p> <p>Children work against each other to roll the dice and then thread that number of cheerios onto their spaghetti. The winner is the one who has the most by the end of their chosen song (if the spaghetti breaks then you need to start again!)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Nature Necklaces</b></p> <p>Children hole punch the leaves and then thread them onto a piece of string. They then tie the ends of the string together to make it into a leaf necklace.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Spaghetti Race</b></p> <p>Children carefully push spaghetti through all the holes in the colander one spaghetti piece at a time. The winner is the first to finish with <u>no broken spaghetti</u> and <u>no empty holes!</u></p>
		 <p style="text-align: center;">(Like this but with spaghetti)</p>
<p>Resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spaghetti</li> <li>• Dice</li> <li>• Cheerios</li> <li>• Play dough</li> </ul>	<p>Resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hole punches</li> <li>• Leaves</li> <li>• String</li> </ul>	<p>Resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spaghetti</li> <li>• Colanders</li> </ul>



## Seeking Buttons

In groups or pairs, children need to use the tweezers to pick the buttons out of the playdough and put them into their team bowl. They need to take it in turns to remove the buttons.



Resources:

- Balls of play dough with buttons already mixed in
- Tweezers

## Treasure Hunt

Children use tweezers to remove jewels or pom poms from Tupperware boxes of rice.



Resources:

- Rice boxes
- Tweezers
- 'jewels'

## The Longest Link

On their own, children link paper clips together to make the longest line! Who will win?



Resources:

- Paper clips (lots)

## Mad Marbles

Each child has a spoon and takes it in turns to pick a marble up and drop it into the bottle. How many can you get in the bottle in 1 minute?



Resources:

- Marbles
- Spoons
- Empty bottles

## Spinning Tops

Children play against each other to see who can keep their spinner spinning the longest!



Resources:

- Spinning tops
- Timer

## Necklaces

Children to cut up straws in small pieces and then thread them onto string to make a necklace.



Resources:

- Straws
- Scissors
- Thread

