



## Key Stage 2 – Circus Week

Hi all,

This week's theme is 'Circus Week', below are some ideas of activities that you can complete throughout the week – remember there is no expectation to complete all of them.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Get miming!</b></p> <p>Mime has been a big part of the circus – remember mime is silent and involves you using facial expressions and actions to show what is happening and what you are thinking. This week we want to challenge you to create your own mime. Can someone in your family guess what you are miming?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Take a look at  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mb_y4agvt_g">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mb_y4agvt_g</a>            for an example, tips and techniques on how to mime being trapped in a box.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Get planning!</b></p> <p>The circus involves lots of teamwork, communication and trust. Create a game or activity that promotes working together and trust that performers could use to build their confidence and trust in each other. This could be a blindfolded activity, something where teams have to communicate without words or something of your own creation and imagination.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Get building!</b></p> <p>Traditionally a circus is performed in a brightly coloured 'big top' tent. Design and build your own circus tent structure using items around your home. You could build a scale model using junk modelling or you may wish to try and create something that you can fit in yourself!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Get debating!</b></p> <p>Some circuses in the world still have animals performing within them. Do you think it is right for animals to be part of a circus? Is it any different from being part of a zoo?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Discuss your thoughts on this with others within your house.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Get practising!</b></p> <p>Learn a new skill that could be performed in a circus! (Ensure that you have discussed this with the adults at home first and that you are supervised where necessary!)</p> <p>The website below offers some online tutorials for different and child friendly circus skills!  <a href="https://kineticcircus.co.uk/circus-skills-tutorials/">https://kineticcircus.co.uk/circus-skills-tutorials/</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Please note the plate spinning is only to be done with specially designed spinning plates.</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Get writing!</b></p> <p>Watch the trailer below from Cirque du Soleil, one of the most famous circus companies travelling the world. Write a detailed description of some of the acts that you can see within it. What do you imagine it would be like to watch that show? What would you be able to hear? How do you think the audience would be reacting?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=anIJ6JumZl&amp;feature=emb_logo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=anIJ6JumZl&amp;feature=emb_logo</a></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Get designing!</b></p> <p>The circus is full of wonderful colours and incredible costumes. Design a costume that could be worn by one of the acts within the circus – it could be for the ring master, a clown, tightrope walker, acrobat or an act of your own choice.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Get promoting!</b></p> <p>Imagine that you have your own circus that is just about to travel to Dartford. Create a leaflet to promote it. Consider what you would call your circus as well as the different acts and experiences your customers would have whilst they were there.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Get making!</b></p> <p>Follow the tutorial below to create your own set of juggling balls using socks and items that you can find in the kitchen!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=12&amp;v=0BJZYRnx_-w&amp;feature=emb_title">https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=12&amp;v=0BJZYRnx_-w&amp;feature=emb_title</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Get reviewing!</b></p> <p>Watch a circus inspired movie such as Dumbo or The Greatest Showman (with parental permission). Write a review of how the film portrays the circus. Is it a circus show you would like to see? Give your reasons why. What would improve it?</p>