



# FS2 MOUSE CLUB

Term 6 – Week 8 (2024-2025)



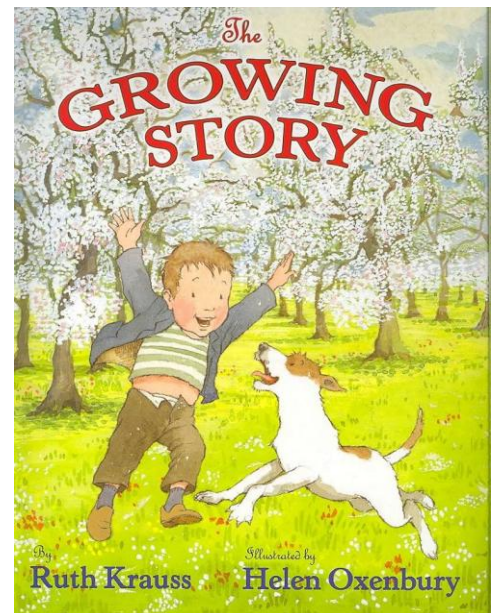
## Final Week of Mouse Club

We hope that the children have enjoyed sharing our songs and stories with their families each week. It has been fantastic to see photos on Tapestry of the children trying some of the suggested activities.

For the last two days of term we will look back at our activities, books and songs from over the year and the children can vote for the activities they would like to do.

## Our Story of the Week

'The Growing Story' is by Ruth Krauss and Helen Oxenbury. This book tells the story of a little boy watching the world around him growing (plants, trees, animals etc), before realising that he is growing too!



The story explores how we grow, what plants need to grow and thinking about the life cycles of different creatures. It is a lovely story to share as we look forward to the summer and a new class in September. Please click [here](#).



## Our Makaton and Song of the Week:

To join in with 'We're All Going on a Summer Holiday', please click [here](#). Thank you.



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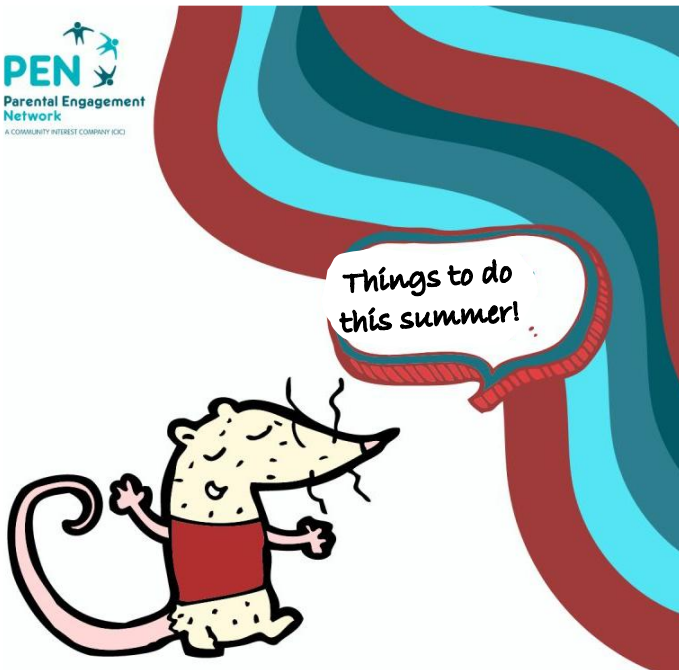


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## Mouse Club at Home



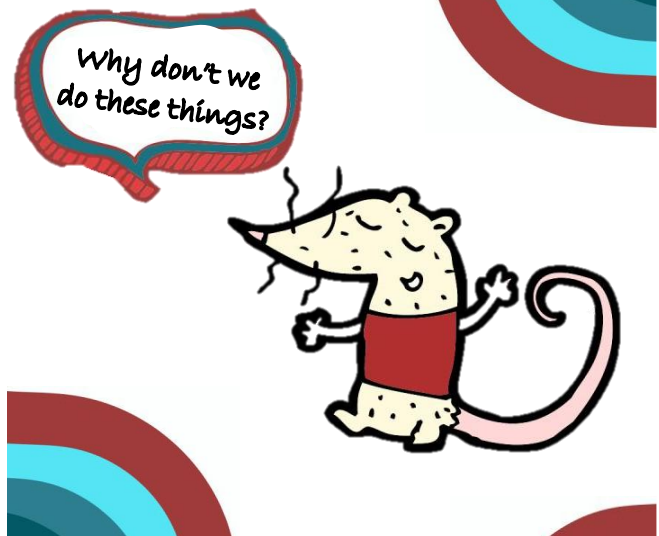
### Have you ever...

- ☐ Been to the beach?
- ☐ Been to a forest?
- ☐ Been to a restaurant?
- ☐ Helped to cook a meal?
- ☐ Been to the cinema?
- ☐ Had a bedtime story?
- ☐ Been to an art gallery?
- ☐ Walked in the countryside?
- ☐ Been to a farm?
- ☒ Been to school?
- ☐ Been to a library?
- ☐ Watched live music?
- ☐ Visited a theatre?
- ☐ Visited a castle or stately home?

What else have you done?

Here are some ideas for activities to do with your family (and mouse). If mouse ever gets lost this is the [link](#) to 'Mouse Club' and you can order a new one.

**The most important way to support your child is to spend time together free from phones, devices and the TV and chat as you do things:**



- ✓ making a den with blankets, or towels and chairs, or a cardboard box
- ✓ have a picnic in the garden, or in your den or a tent
- ✓ set up a mini sports circuit in the garden
  - jumping
  - potato and spoon race
  - obstacle course
  - run like a spider or a crab, etc.
- ✓ play schools with toys and teddies
- ✓ do chalk drawing on the ground outside



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- ✓ visit the local library and join in activities there and bring home lovely books to share including the Sheffield Summer Reading Challenge 2025 and can be found via this [link](#)
- ✓ A walk round the local area or to a local park is a great way to burn energy and get fresh air but you could also play 'I Spy' or look for things of the same **colour** (e.g. something red ... a car, a coat, etc.) or something beginning with a **letter sound** of the alphabet (e.g. something beginning with 'b' ... a bus, bush, bin, bike, berries, etc.)
  - Please remember to play the game using the letter **sound**, just like we do in phonics.
  - Complete **shape** or **number searches** thinking and about what numbers can you spot on a house, a car, bus or tram, for example.
- ✓ Take a short journey on a tram, bus or train which will be fun experience if you make sure to chat and look at what you see on the journey. Let your child help to pay for the tickets and look at what you see on the route you take.
- ✓ A trip to the shops can be full of learning opportunities and many supermarkets have free meals for children during the holidays:
  - plan a shopping list together, let your child write their own list
  - plan to cook or bake together, or plan a picnic and make a list of the ingredients or food that you will need
  - if you have to go by car talk about where you will park
  - in the shop let your child look for items or count them out together
  - stop and look at the different fruit and vegetables, maybe each week try one new fruit
- ✓ Cooking and baking are popular and provide reading, science and maths experiences.
- ✓ Remember we expect the children to tidy up at school so include them with the clearing away and washing up, remembering to reinforce safety with hot surfaces/sharp objects.
- ✓ Going to the swimming pool or starting swimming lessons is fun, and important too.
- ✓ If you go further away plan ahead to see what discount tickets are available and let your child plan what snacks and food to take, then they can enjoy a home-made lunch and spend their money on a trip to the ice cream van.

## Local Suggestions:

- ✓ <https://www.butterflyhouse.co.uk/>
- ✓ <https://www.dayoutwiththekids.co.uk/attractions/graves-park-ej56pnfr>
- ✓ <https://www.welcometosheffield.co.uk/visit/things-to-see-and-do/>
- ✓ <https://www.kidsdaysout.co.uk/kids-days-out-england/derbyshire.html>
- ✓ <https://www.chatsworth.org/visit-chatsworth/chatsworth-estate/farmyard-playground/>
- ✓ <https://www.forestryengland.uk/sherwood-pines/childrens-play-areas-sherwood-pines>
- ✓ <https://www.thedeep.co.uk/>
- ✓ <https://sheffieldhealthyholidays.org/>



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