Writing tasks

These can be completed over one week or longer. Children can just complete one but can do more if they have time.

Task	How to do it	Further ideas
Make a picture story	Draw 3 pictures to show what happened at the beginning, in the middle and the end of the story.	They could read their story to other family members.
Make a fact file about your family.	Draw a picture of each person in the family. Write facts to go with it like: Hair colour, eye colour, age, favourite food, favourite sports, favourite colour and any other facts you can think of.	They could take photos instead of drawing.
Story map a favourite story	Read the story in sections. Draw symbols or simple pictures to represent each thing that happens in the story. You can google [book title] story map, e.g. Little Red Riding Hood story map, Supertato story map, to see some examples.	Children can retell the story from the story map.

Write pages for a non-fiction book.	Pick a topic your child is interested in or knows about. For example, sports, superheroes, science, clothes, special places, countries. For each page, draw a picture and write a sentence. Make as many pages as you can.	Children could use a tablet to find information. Children could make their pages into a book.

Activities for other areas of learning

Area	<u>ACTIVITIES</u>
Communication and Language	Read stories aloud to your child.
	Talk to your child while doing normal household chores.
	Talk about the things they used to enjoy, ask what they like doing now, what do they
	want to do when they are older?
Physical development	Play in the yard or garden.
	Build an obstacle course indoors.
	Let your child dress themselves every day, including buttons.
	Build models with construction kits (e.g. lego) or dough.

Personal, social and emotional development	Play a board game, I spy, or do a puzzle together. Work together to come up with some Family Rules for as long as we are off school. Make a weekly plan. Let your child think of ideas. What do they want to do? What will they need? Can you do it at home or is it an idea for another time?
Understanding the world	Keep a daily weather chart. Let your child help to cook a meal. Make a family tree. Talk about different members of your family and their life. Create a timeline from when your child was a baby to now. What can you see from your bedroom window? Is it always the same things? Go on a scavenger hunt in your house. Can you find something soft? Something hard? Something wooden? Something fluffy? Something metal?
Expressive arts and design	Sing along to songs. Make up songs and tunes. Make an instrument from everyday objects and play it. Build models out of junk materials at home. Draw pictures Colouring activities Make a collage from bits of paper, material or packaging from food. Paint if you have any. Act out a simple story.
Useful online links	Supertato bedtime story read aloud (youtube) Learning to write with correct letter formation full alphabet (youtube) Come outside (youtube)

Bedtimes stories (cbeebies iplayer)
Alphablocks (cbeebies iplayer)
Numberblocks (cheebies iplayer)
Let's Play (cbeebies iplayer)
Dough disco (youtube)
Just dance kids (youtube)