Gaeilge

If you don't have a PC or MAC to access Bua na Cainte here are some Irish activities to do with your child if you wish.

Amhrán

Aon, dó, trí, ceathair, cúig, sé Cístí deasa i gcomhair an tae. Uachtar reoite, banana bui, Líreacán agus oráistí

Rann

Siopa milsean.

Rith isteach.

Ceannaigh (milseain, uachtar reoite, líreacán)

Siúil amach.

On page 39 of Bua na Cainte, you could use the following simple sentences to talk about the picture with your child. If you take turns to say the sentences in conversation style, that will give your child practise at speaking Irish and help them to learn the words. Children will be familiar with this activity from school.

Taispeán dom úll. (Show me an apple)

Taispeán dom oráiste/subh/uisce/im/aran.

(Show me an orange/jam/water/butter/bread)

You could also pretend to play shop and use similar simple sentences, with pictures or real items;

Child: Tabhair dom (give me) úll/oráiste/subh/uisce/im/aran

Parent: Seo duit úll/oráiste/subh/uisce/im/aran

Then swap roles and continue with the same sentences.

If you feel your child is able for it you can extend the conversation to include any of the following phrases when playing shop, it might be useful to 'act' it out for them first with a teddy. Don't worry about having perfect Irish or pronunciation, if your child is listening to and using some simple Irish it will really stand to them, and they will recall what they have learned in school this year.

Teidí:	Dia duit	Teddy	Hello
Siopadóir:	Dia's Muire duit.	Shopkeeper	Hello
Teidí:	Tabhair dom	Teddy	Give me
Siopadóir:	Seo duit	Shopkeeper	Here's
Teidí:	Go raibh maith agat.	Teddy	Thank you
Siopadóir:	Fáilte romhat.	Shopkeeper	You're welcome
Teidí:	Seo duit an t-airgead.	Teddy	Here is the money.
Siopadóir:	Slán	Shopkeeper	Bye.

With household food items or pictures you could play a guessing game with your child. Put five or six items on the table, and practise the names with your child. Then hide one and your child has to guess which one you have hidden. You could swap around then and they could be the teacher.

Here is a list of some food items which were taught this year;

ceapaire	sandwich
ull	apple
milsean	sweet
banana bui	banana
ubh	egg
bainne	milk
im	butter
subh	jam
oraiste	orange
aran	bread
im	butter
brioscai	biscuits
criospa	crisps
uachtar reoite	icecream

These activities are just suggestions, feel free to ask for more information if you would like.

Regards,

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