

Hello Room 4, from Mrs Hancock!

I hope you enjoyed the activities last week. Below I have listed some other places you can go to help you with your learning.

1. Mystery Doug – (try 'How do flowers Bloom in Spring')
2. Vooks – there is a 20 minute read-aloud everyday on Vooks
3. Jump Jam – There are new dances everyday, check out <https://www.jumpjam.co.nz/quarantine/>
4. Book trust.org.uk/books-and-reading

Read the story 'Giraffe's Can't Dance'.



<https://watch.vooks.com/videos/giraffes-can-t-dance> either by using this link to 'Vooks', or reading it on bottom of this page. After you have read the story, complete the tasks below:

1. Make a list of all the animals mentioned in the story and write beside them what type of dance they did.
2. Draw a picture of Gerald when he was dancing, you may remember completing a picture of Gerald at school in Term 1. You can get some tips on drawing Gerald from this web page <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e-5z8X1BBR4>



Investigate the maths problem below - explain what you are thinking when you worked it out.

There is a pyramid of cannon balls on a pirate ship. The first layer looks like this when you look down on it from above.

- How many cannon balls are there in this layer (the first layer)?
How many cannon balls will there be in the second layer?
How many cannon balls will there be in the third layer?
How many cannon balls in the top layer?
How many cannon balls do you need to complete the pyramid?



A Dance Party



In your reading, Gerald goes to a dance with all the other jungle animals. You are going to hold a dance party at your house with your friends when lockdown finishes.

1. Write an invitation to your friends and family to send out.
2. Make a 'play list' of all the songs you will be playing at your party
3. Make a list of the food you will be having at your dance party
4. Draw a picture of all the decorations, lights and props you would like to have to decorate your party



Here is your spelling list for this week—your goal is to be able to correctly spell each word by the end of the week.

List 5: family, five, found, friend, fun, heard, here, know, last, left

Beginning List 6: also, always, asked, black, boy, bus, cat, coming, minutes, most

List 6: I'll, I'm, top, town, tree, turned, until, wanted, soon, jump

Te Reo Maori: Ratu – Tuesday / Raapa - Wednesday

Learn our Class Song for Term 2



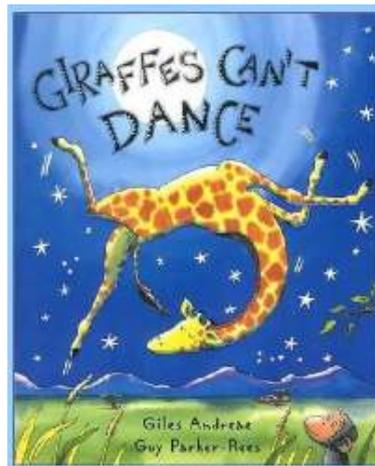
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CgTHukOXhDw> The Tiger Who Came to Tea Song

Nature Dance

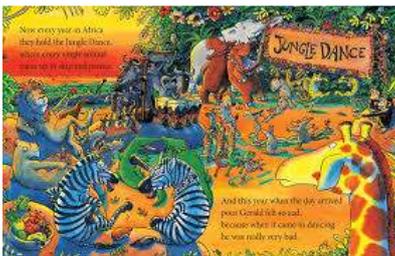
1. Take a walk in your garden or somewhere close to your home.
2. Find any bugs, animals, birds, butterflies and watch them as they move around. What sort of dance are they doing? Think of some music you know that could match the dance they are doing.

Giraffes Can't Dance

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Gerald was a tall giraffe whose neck was long and slim, but his knees were awfully crooked and his legs were rather thin. He was very good at standing still and munching shoots off trees, but when he tried to run around, he buckled at the knees.



Now every year in Africa, they hold the Jungle Dance, where every single animal, turns up to skip and prance. And this year when the day arrived, poor Gerald felt so sad, because when it came to dancing, he was really very bad.



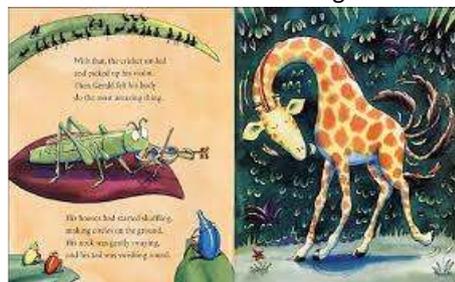
The warthogs started waltzing, and the rhinos rock 'n' rolled. The lions danced a tango, that was elegant and bold. The chimps all did a cha-cha, with a very Latin feel, and eight baboons then teamed up, for a splendid Scottish reel.

Gerald swallowed bravely as he walked toward the floor, but the lions saw him coming, and they soon began to roar. "Hey, look at clumsy Gerald," the animals all sneered. "Giraffes can't dance, you silly fool! Oh, Gerald, you're so weird."

Gerald simply froze up. He was rooted to the spot. They're right, he thought. I'm useless. Oh, I feel like such a clot. So he crept off from the dance floor, and he started walking home. He'd never felt so sad before, so sad and so alone. Then he found a little clearing, and he looked up at the sky. "The moon can be so beautiful," he whispered with a sigh. "Excuse me!" coughed a cricket who'd seen Gerald earlier on. "But sometimes when you're different you just need a different song."



"Listen to the swaying grass and listen to the trees. To me the sweetest music is those branches in the breeze. So imagine that the lovely moon is playing just for you –



Everything makes music if you really want it to." With that, the cricket smiled, and picked up his violin. Then Gerald felt his body do the most amazing thing.

His hooves had started shuffling, making circles on the ground. His neck was gently swaying, and his tail was swishing around. He threw his legs out sideways, and he swung them everywhere. Then he did a backward somersault and leapt up in the air.

Gerald felt so wonderful. His mouth was open wide. "I am dancing! Yes, I'm dancing! I AM DANCING!" Gerald cried. Then, one by one, each animal who'd been there at the dance, arrived while Gerald boogied on and watched him, quite entranced. They shouted, "It's a miracle! We must be in a dream. Gerald's the best dancer that we've ever, ever seen!"

"How did you learn to dance like that? Please, Gerald, tell us how." But Gerald simply twirled around and finished with a bow. Then he raised his head and looked up at the moon and stars above. "We all can dance," he said, "when we find music that we love."