

LEAP YEAR



This unique Leap Year badge features an irresistibly cute frog. We only get the opportunity to see February 29th once every four years, but frogs are fun at any time. Challenge yourself to a range of fun activities related to leap years, frogs, and leaping in general.

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CHALLENGE OPTIONS

- ☐ Find out why we have a Leap Year. How often? Why? What is the name given to people born on Leap Day?
- ☐ In a leap year, we have an extra day, February 29th. If you could do anything at all with an extra day, what would it be?
- ☐ Create a birthday calendar and mark in the birthdates of your friends and family, and any other special events
- ☐ Work out how old you would be if you were born in a Leap Year
- ☐ Make a "This is Me" chart, listing all your physical features (height, shoe size etc), characteristics, likes, dislikes, favourite toy, best friends, hopes for the future etc. Put this away and bring it out next leap year for comparison.
- ☐ Compare current photos with those from 4 years ago. In a group setting, play a game of trying to identify people in the photos.
- ☐ Do some research and find out the names of some famous people born on a Leap Day or events that happened on a Leap Day.
- ☐ Find out more about the countries that first acknowledged the Leap Year.
- ☐ Write down the word FEBRUARY and see how many smaller words you can find within it
- ☐ In some countries, Leap Day is also known as Bachelor's Day or Ladies' Privilege. Find out why.



Leaping & Jumping

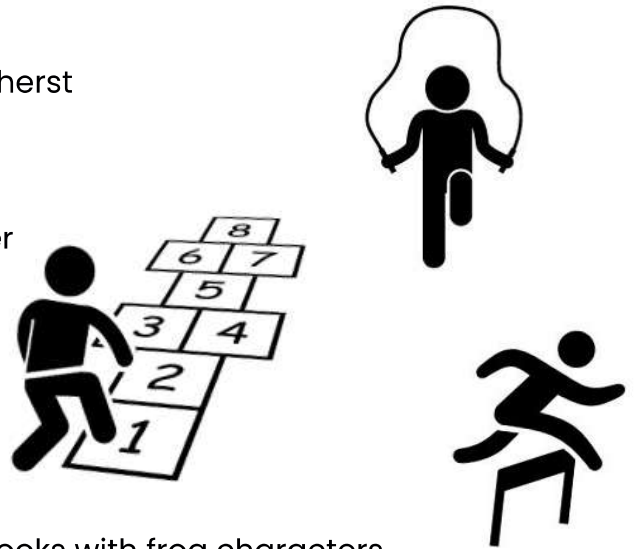
- ☐ Neil Armstrong was the first man to step on the moon and is quoted as saying "One small step for man, one giant leap for mankind". Find out some information about the first moon landing and present the information to your group.
- ☐ See how high you can jump to reach a mark on a wall.



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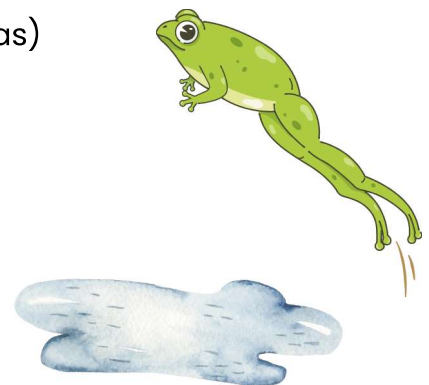


- Play a game of leap frog with a group of friends
- Line up with a group of friends and see who can leap the farthest
- See if you can snap an impressive photo of something in mid-leap. This might be a pet or a friend. Or you could be the subject and have someone else take the photo of you leaping.
- See how long you can hop on one foot. Try again another day to see if there is any improvement.
- Play a game of hopscotch
- Participate in a parkour activity
- Practice the 'long jump' and see who can leap the furthest
- Try some new methods of skipping with a rope
- Visit a trampoline park
- Make an obstacle course of different items to leap over
- Make up a game that includes leaping or jumping
- Try a class of dance or calisthenics



Leaping Frogs

- Make a poster showing the life cycle of a frog
- Read the story of Tiddalick, or any of the many other books with frog characters
- Use the FrogID App to take part in Australia's biggest frog count. The app allows anyone to record frog calls that scientists can then use to help the frogs that are under threat from habitat loss, disease and climate change.
- Create a small raft from natural materials and see if you can transport a pretend frog (paper, toy) across some water
- Find out the relationship between frogs and dinosaurs
- Find out about some of Australia's frog species
- Decorate a food item to look like a frog (Google has lots of ideas)
- Brainstorm to create a list of famous frogs
- Enjoy an activity with, on or near the water
- Make an origami jumping frog, or any other frog craft item
- Organise or participate in some water activities
- Visit the amphibian section of a zoo or wildlife park



Leaping Animals

- Make a list of animals that leap. You might like to mime the animals for others to guess
- Find out which animal leaps the highest
- Visit a zoo or aquarium and make note of the animals that can leap or jump

There are so many other options. Create some of your own challenges and share your ideas.

