

Early Years Pupil Premium 2019-20

What?	The Gardening Project: Development of Prime Areas of the EYFS – Personal, Social and Emotional Development; Physical Development; Communication and Language – with a particular focus on speaking and listening skills.
Why?	Leaders identified that some pupils were entering nursery at below age related expectations in the Prime Areas of learning.
Where and When?	The focus began during the academic year 2014-2015, and we have continued to develop the project every year.
Who?	The focus was a universal offer, with identification of children needing additional support and family workshops.
How?	<p>Various training courses attended by staff members and fed back throughout setting, as well as workshops for parents according to their needs including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECAT • Managing Behaviour • Bedtime and Toileting Routines • Healthy Families • ICAN <p>Staff looked at their planning/observation/assessment cycle to ensure Prime Areas were identified and catered for throughout the setting. Small group speaking and listening activities based on children’s interests are time-tabled on a daily basis to target children identified as needing additional support for self-confidence and self-awareness. The funding for this year was £1,500 and will enable us to continue with ‘The Gardening Project’, ensuring that the children are further able to participate in the entire process of planting, growing, picking and cooking a range of vegetables, as well as learning about healthy eating, washing hands, using equipment safely.</p> <p>Outcomes: Communication and Language skills are enhanced through children becoming more confident during discussion, with staff being more aware of ‘sustained shared thinking’ strategies.</p>
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