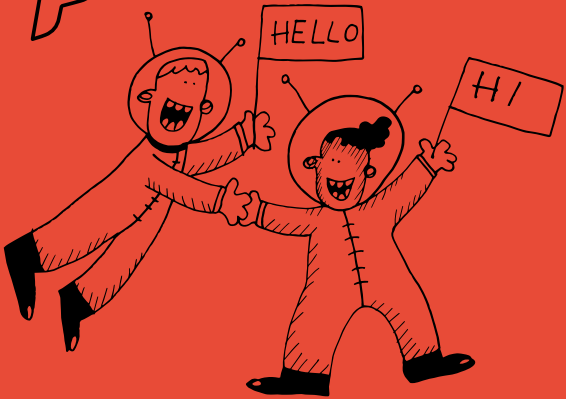


Launchpad for Language



A programme for Early Years children, focussing on supporting speech, language and communication skills

Communication skills are a fundamental building block for life. Good speech and language skills help children to build a strong foundation for success in school. However, research suggests that many children enter school without the speech, language and communication skills that they need.

Boosting children's language skills at an early age can help with subjects such as literacy and numeracy, as well as other important aspects of school life such as making friends and understanding rules and routines.

Launchpad for Language is a universal approach to supporting all the children in class to reach their communication potential based on the Early Years Foundation Stage principles.





MISSION PREPARATION

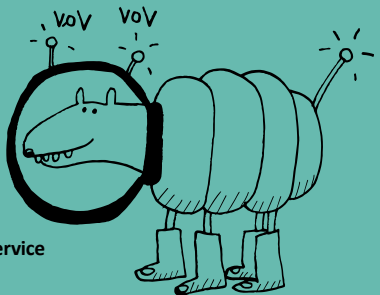
Term one Screening and assessment of speech and language skills will be carried out with each child, auditing of the classroom environment will be carried out, training and information sessions for parents and teaching staff will take place. Data and reports will be provided.

ALL SYSTEMS GO

Term two A choice of activities will be carried out with all children to help them develop their talking skills, understanding of language, and listening and attention. Training will be carried out with teaching staff and activities and advice will be provided for parents to use at home.

LANGUAGE BOOSTERS

Term three Assessment from term one will be repeated to measure improvement. Children who are not making the expected progress will be identified and activities will support them more specifically. Training, advice and activities will continue.



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