

Newton Westpark Nursery



EYFS Prime Area - Communication and Language

This area of learning includes communication, speaking and listening. Reading a wide range of books and reading simple words and writing.

These are skills your child will develop as they express their needs and feelings, interact with other people and establish their own personality and identity. Being able to communicate means your child can take a fuller part in the world around them.

Ways you can help at home

- ☺ Give your child the time and opportunity to express themselves
- ☺ Listen to them and show them an understanding of what they say
- ☺ Encourage their efforts
- ☺ Read to them, talk about the story and make up your own stories together
- ☺ Learning happens best when children are happy and confident. You can build a love of rhymes, reading and books by having fun with them
- ☺ Have fun with songs and stories and rhymes in the bath, at bedtime and throughout the day. Putting in sound effects like splashing in the bath not only adds to the fun but also links learning with pleasure
- ☺ As your child draws, paints and starts to write words and tell you about their day they're also making sense of their experiences
- ☺ Talk about everyday actions like getting dressed and cooking
- ☺ Read words from signs and labels
- ☺ Children learn best when activities use several senses at once, such as touch, taste and hearing. Talk about what things feel like (soft, slippery, cold) how they taste (bitter, sweet, tangy) how they sound (loud, soft, crackly)