Children with English as an Additional Language

We welcome children with English as an additional language (EAL) and pride ourselves on our reputation in the local community with EAL families for helping these children achieve well.

To help us to achieve this we take support from Croydon Early Years language links and Team Around the Child team.

In our setting we make extra effort to communicate to the family the children’s progress with photographs and evidence of the child’s work.

We use visual time tables, makaton, bilingual books, multicultural toys and songs to help children with EAL feel settled and learn through play.

Small group work and circle time help us to communicate with the children and adopt a sense of belonging.

The child’s Key Person will be experienced and form close bonds with the child and family.

We value each child as an individual and welcome the diversity of different languages.

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