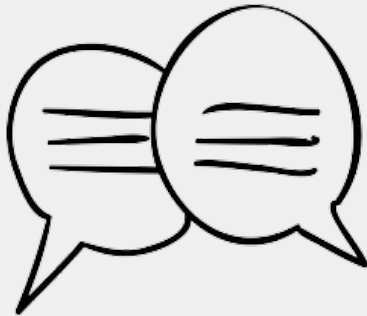


DBIS Nursery Chatter Tubes



Welcome to DBIS Nursery

Dear Family,

We are very excited that you are joining the DBIS family. We would like to get to know a bit more about you.

Please take some time over the summer to complete a Chatter Tube with your child. To learn more about Chatter Tubes please take a look through this booklet.

Thank you,
The Nursery Team

What is a Chatter Tube?

A Chatter Tube is a tool used to support children's Communication & Language development. A Chatter Tube is simple and easy to create. Firstly decorate a tube (Pringle tubes are brilliant). Your child may like to paint, draw, add stickers or photos to their tube. Once the design on the tube is complete, it's time to fill your Chatter Tube!

Chatter Tubes can give your child a sense of belonging when they transition to Nursery at DBIS. We encourage you to add inside the tube:

- Pictures of immediate and extended family.
- Pictures of (or write down) a favourite memory.
- Favourite books and toys. (You could add pictures of these).
- Favourite songs or music.

How will Chatter Tubes be used?

We kindly ask that you bring in your child's Chatter Tube on their first day of Nursery in August.

Chatter Tubes will be displayed in class in a way that is easy for children to access. We will use the Chatter Tubes during 1:1 discussions, but also in small circle times, allowing children to discuss their interests with their friends. We will keep the Chatter Tubes in class throughout the year. We encourage you to bring in new photos to add to your child's Tube if they would like to discuss with their teacher or friends.

Communication & Language - Birth to 5 Matters 2021

Communication and Language is a Prime Area of development in our curriculum. Prime Areas are described as universal core aspects of early child development. They are time-sensitive because of biological factors that enable rapid brain connections, particularly in the first three years of life but continuing throughout early childhood.

Communication and language development are closely intertwined with physical, social and emotional experiences. Communication and language lay a foundation for learning and development, guiding and supporting children's thinking while underpinning their emerging literacy.

Language is more than words. As children grow, they begin to be aware of and explore different sounds, symbols and words in their everyday worlds, a language-rich environment is crucial.

A child's first language provides the roots to learn additional languages, and parents should be encouraged to continue to use their home languages to strengthen and support their children's language development as they join new environments.

Children's skills develop through a series of identifiable stages which can be looked at in three aspects of the curriculum - Listening and Attention, Understanding, and Speaking.

“Language is crucial to young children’s development. It is the essential key for learning, communicating and building relationships with others, as well as enabling children to make sense of the world around them.”