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Dear Parents and Carers,

23rd November 2022

Thank you to all who were able to attend one of our two recent Pre-School "Stay and Play" sessions.

The plan for each session was:

- To have the opportunity to explore the learning environment alongside your child
- To take part in Playdough Disco
- To see a dialogic reading session and discuss this
- To complete a task with your child

Thanks to all of you who took the time to fill in a feedback form. All adults who attended said that they would recommend the session to others and found it useful, so we won't be making any major changes when we run the session next year.

The things that you said you found most useful were:

Exploring the Learning Environment

I enjoyed watching my daughter play and show me what she does throughout the day

Seeing all the activities my son has to play with

Getting my child to show me around himself

It's nice to see what she likes to play with and how she interacts. This can help us talk about school and how her day goes

Being able to see what my daughter does in and around the classroom

You get to see how they play with others

It was lovely to see all the different tasks they get up to

Being able to spend time with my daughter in the Pre-School setting. She has been so excited to share her classroom and show me her friends... it has been lovely

It's nice to see the children in their learning environment. It's brilliant to see all of the activities and learning the children get up to

Playdough Disco

I was really excited to see Playdough Disco, my son tells us all about it when we put Proud Mary on

Dialogic Reading

Seeing my son engaged with the stories and resources

I found the reading session was most useful, and including all children in telling the story

Observing story time and how to complete this at home in the same way as in Pre-School

Listening to Mrs Dunham read and watch how my son interacted with the book

Understanding dialogic reading and what it actually means

Seeing how books are read so I'm able to do it the same at home

Task

Learning the teaching techniques from school so we can use the same techniques to get the best out of my daughter.

Other

To find how the day runs and what my daughter enjoys at school

It is nice to get a perspective on my daughter's daily activities, she seems very settled amongst her friends

Seeing how much my son has settled whilst in class

I thought it was very well organised and the children responded well

It is nice to get the opportunity to come into school and see how my son has taken to being in a school environment

It is reassuring to know he enjoys coming to school and he has support here

Seeing how my son has settled was reassuring. He can sometimes struggle with other children

I loved being able to see the work my daughter had done

Learning the ways things are taught to my son as it means that I can continue at home

Meeting other parents and children

Finding out about the school routine and different methods used

We asked for suggestions as to how we can improve this Stay and Play in future, and if there is anything you'd like to find out more about in similar Stay and Play sessions throughout the year....

Any further sessions would be helpful to see the progress of my son

Similar to this session – what the children are learning

If anything else is scheduled for this year please let me know

Maybe get parents involved in nursery rhymes

Big Maths

Learning each child's name to be able to know what my daughter is talking about at home

Thank again for the feedback you have given us.

We hope that you or a member of your family will be able to attend one of the next Stay and Play session on Wednesday 25th January (bumblebees and caterpillars) and Thursday 26th January (ladybirds and caterpillars). The focus for this session will be how we teach maths in Pre-School.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Early Years Team