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## **Early Years**

This week's newsletter is a special feature of our new Reception area that has been recently renovated including the newly built area.

Prime areas of learning within Early Years refer to the fundamental areas of development that are crucial for young children's overall growth and well-being. These areas are considered essential building blocks and lay the foundation for future learning and success. The three prime areas of learning are:

- Communication and Language: This area focuses on developing children's ability to communicate and express themselves effectively. It encompasses both verbal and non-verbal communication, including listening, speaking, and understanding others. Strong communication skills enable children to engage in meaningful interactions, share their thoughts and feelings, and develop essential language and vocabulary skills.
- 2. Physical Development: Physical development involves enhancing children's gross and fine motor skills, coordination, and control over their bodies. It includes activities such as running, jumping, climbing, and handling objects. Physical development not only supports children's physical health and well-being but also helps them gain confidence, improve spatial awareness, and develop essential skills for self-care and independence.
- 3. Personal, Social, and Emotional Development: This area focuses on nurturing children's self-awareness, social skills, emotional regulation, and overall well-being. It involves helping children understand and manage their emotions, develop positive relationships, and engage in cooperative play. By fostering self-confidence, empathy, and resilience, personal, social, and emotional development provides a solid foundation for children to navigate the world around them and develop healthy relationships with others.

In addition to the prime areas of learning, the concept of free flow is highly valued within Early Years

education. Free flow refers to the practice of allowing children to move freely between indoor and outdoor learning environments. It provides them with the opportunity to explore and engage with different learning experiences, resources, and spaces at their own pace and interest. Free flow promotes active exploration, curiosity, and creativity, allowing children to make choices, develop independence, and take ownership of their learning. It also supports physical development, encourages a connection with nature, and enhances children's well-being by providing a stimulating and diverse learning environment.

Overall, by focusing on the prime areas of learning and embracing the concept of free flow, Early Years education lays the foundation for children's holistic development, fostering their cognitive, physical, social, and emotional growth during their crucial early years.



































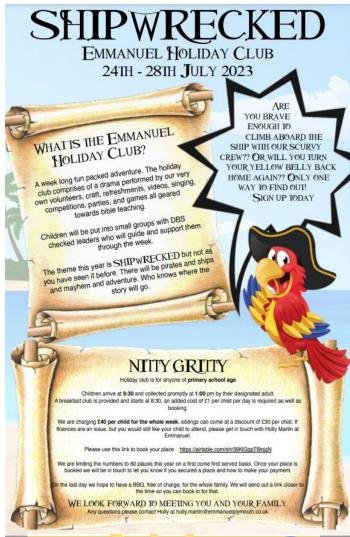
























Nominations for being an optimistic learner	
Cedar	Amara
Ash	Trixie
Oak	Harlin
Beech	Finn H
Poplar	Arlo
Willow	Astrid
Holly	Luca
Elm	Matilda
Sycamore	Hazel
Keller	Myra
Seacole	Theo
Barnardo	Jennifer
Attenborough	Samara
Curie	Jack
Hawking	Georgia
Gandhi	Darcy
King	Methu
Mandela	Aine
Pankhurst	Tallulah
Douglass	Salwin
Dickens	Rosie









