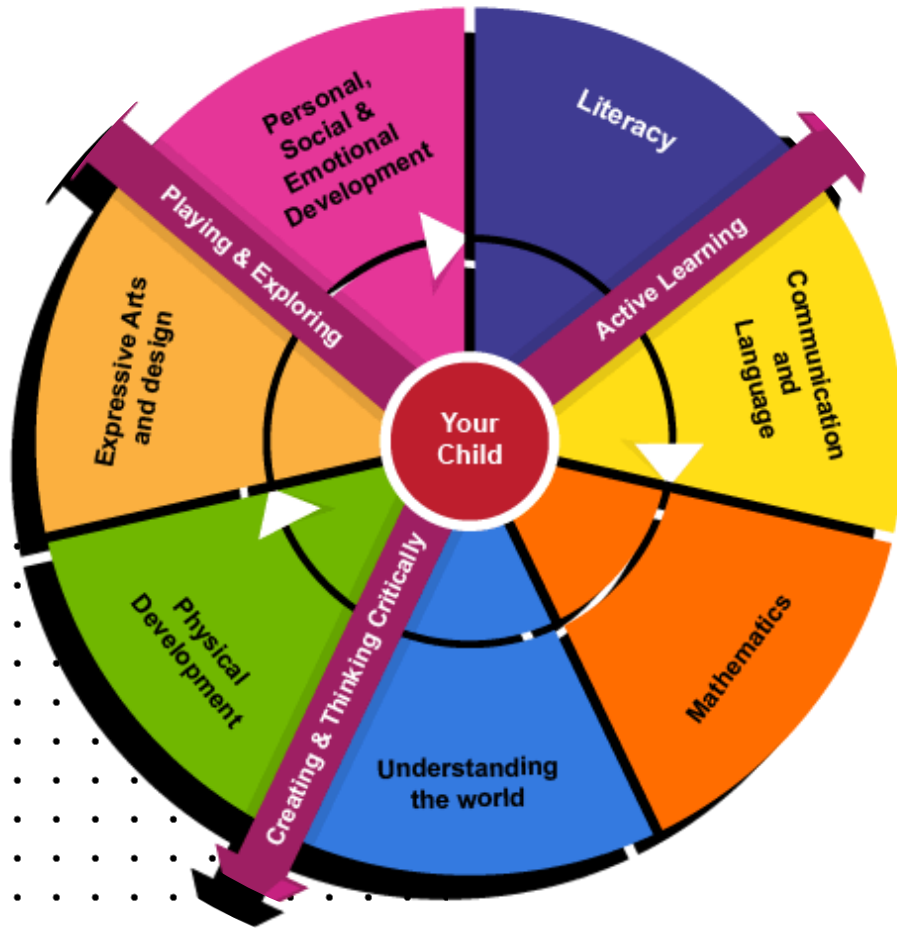


EARLY YEARS

BROOKSIDE ACADEMY

The Three Characteristics of Effective Learning of the Early Years Foundation Stage





In Early Years there are seven areas of learning, these are split into prime and specific areas. We will give you a snapshot of some of the things we do in Early Years within these areas to enhance your child's learning and development.

COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE

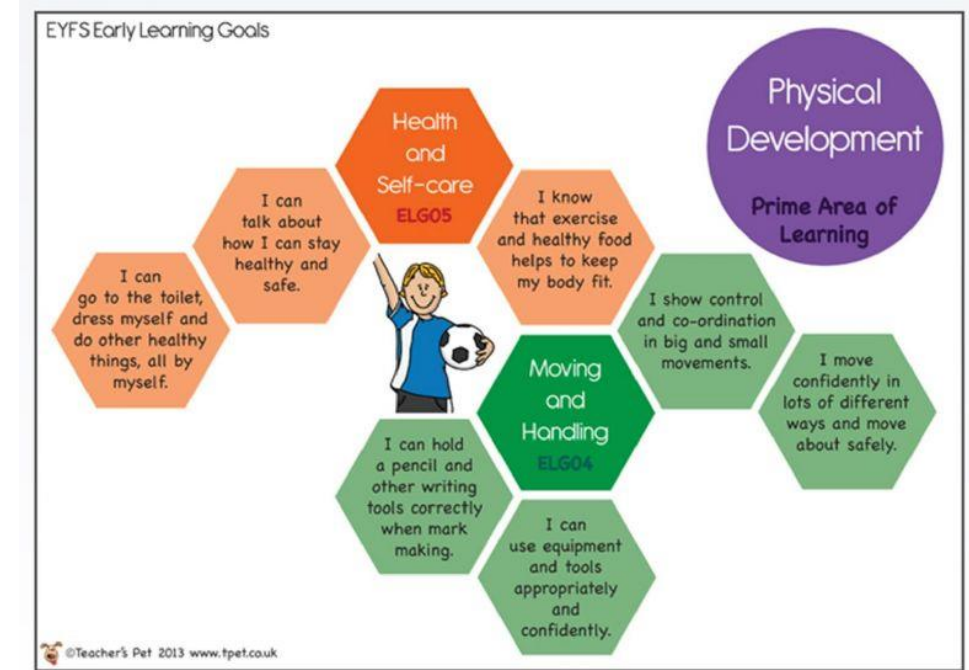




Personal, Social and Emotional Development



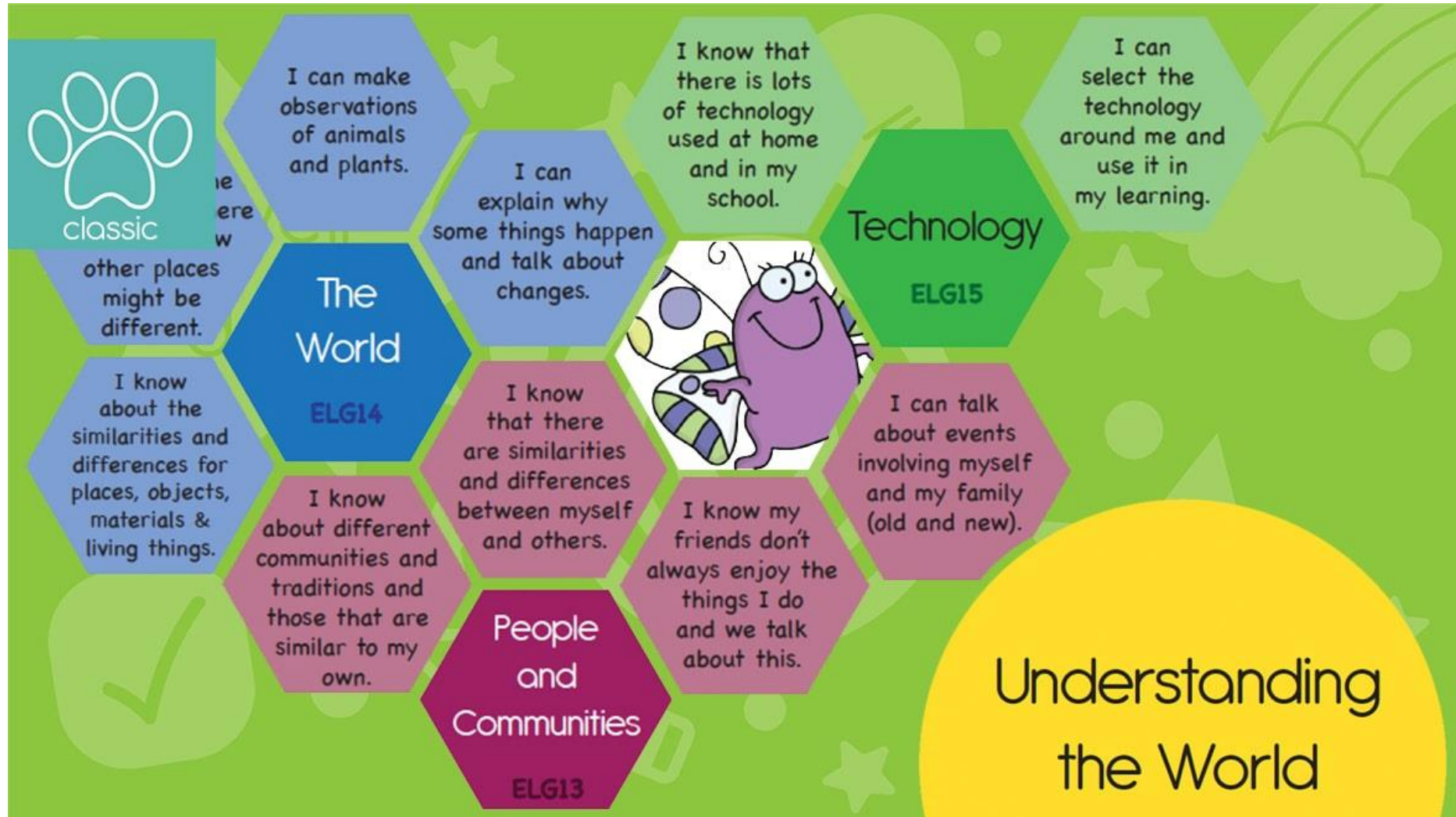
Physical Development



The children have PE every week with the sport coaches, but we do so many fun things in class to develop those fine motor skills! We also enjoy using our outdoor area as well.



Understanding the World



Daily Skills
Lessons -

Geography
History
RE
Science
Computing

Expressive Arts and Design



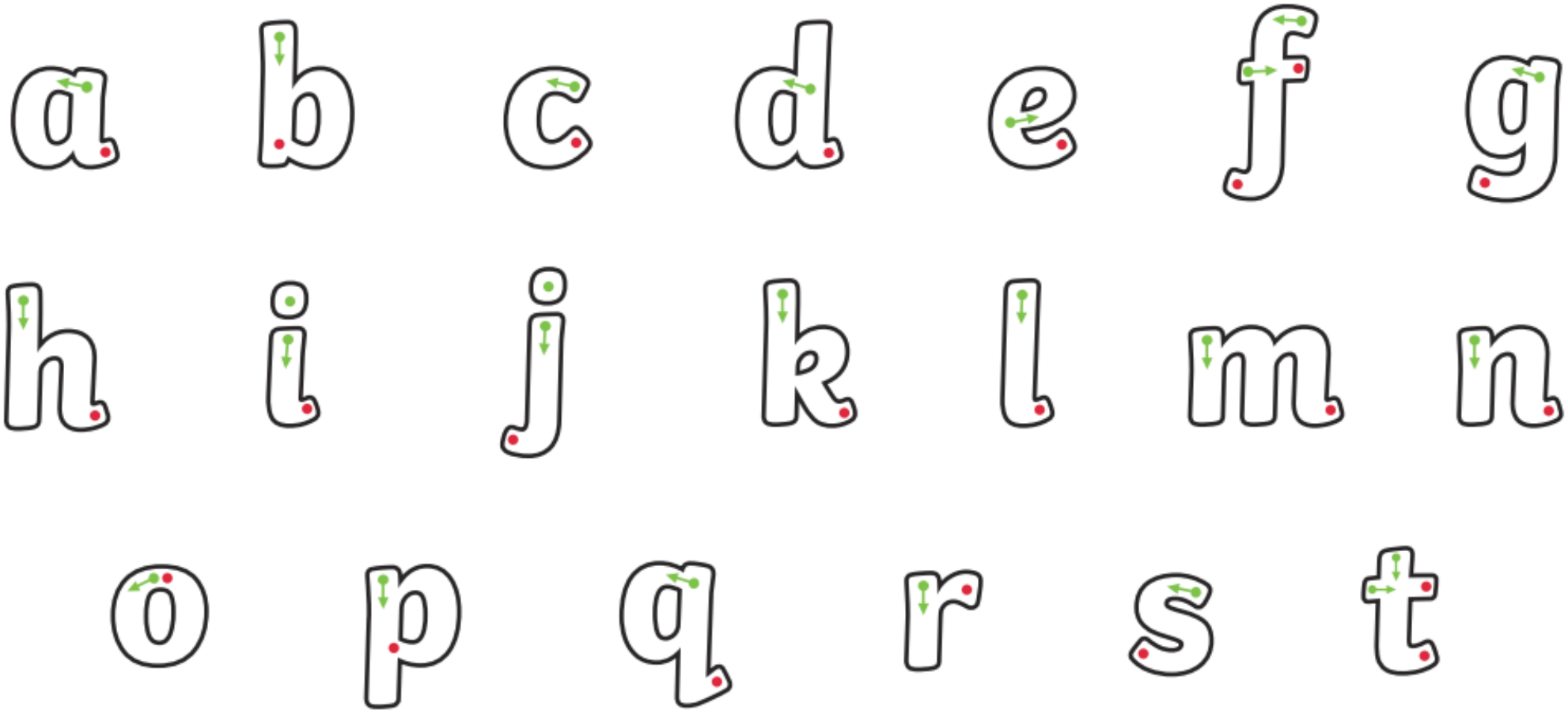
Literacy

We teach Phonics 4 times a week. In the mornings we practice letter formation on white boards or in books. We have opportunities in our provision for children to develop their writing during exploring time. Across the week every child will do an adult directed Literacy task in line with their phonetic knowledge.

We follow the Twinkl scheme for Phonics. We have covered all of Phase 2 and will be moving onto Phase 3, which includes digraphs and trigraphs. Knowing all the sounds is key....but being able to blend the sounds and hear whole words is also a vital skill moving forward.



Letter Formation Practice Sheet

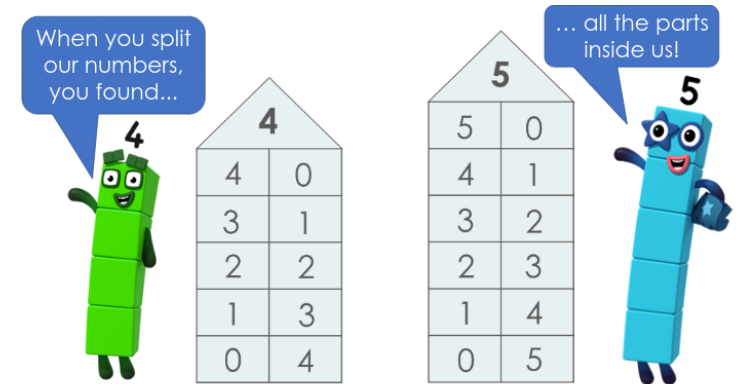


MATHS

The children have maths lessons 4 times a week.

We have lots of child-initiated activities in our provision for the children to access during their exploring time and across the week every child will complete an adult directed maths task. So far in Maths we have been developing a deep understanding of numbers up to 5 looking at compositions, subitising and the importance of 1:1 counting.

We follow the Mastering Number scheme.



Before reading

Say the sounds.
If your child needs help, point to the picture and read the word to them.

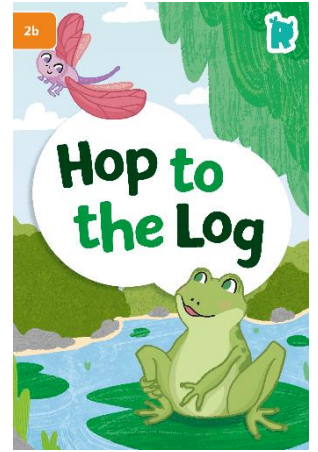
Read the focus words.
Encourage your child to say each sound then blend to read the word.

a apple	p puppy	i insect	h house
m meatballs	n nut	d drum	b bat
g girl	o orange	u umbrella	l lolly

Read the tricky words.
Parts of these words cannot be sounded out at this level.
Read the word to your child if they need help.

pad hop
bug mud

the



READING

Each week the children take home a reading book and a choosing book.

Reading is incorporated into every daily phonics lesson, and we do guided reading once a week as a whole class.



EXPLORING TIME



OUR TIME TO LEARN THROUGH
OUR PLAY