



Developing Children's Vocabulary

Dear Parents, Carers

One of our areas of focus in Acorns Nursery Class is the development of children's vocabulary and language skills. A wide vocabulary and good use and understanding of language will support your child as they progress through the school; from early reading to writing their own stories.

In Acorns Class we will be supporting the children to learn new words by identifying key vocabulary that links to our topics and daily activities and routines. This vocabulary will be used by staff during all our activities with the children. We will help the children to understand the meaning of words, introduce them to a range of words that have the same or similar meaning and help them to learn the context in which these words can be used.

Our topics will be supported by a range of stories, songs and rhymes that will enhance the children's learning and help them to develop their language skills.

For each topic we will send home a list of our key vocabulary together with details of some of the stories we will be reading and any familiar songs or rhymes we will be using so that you can continue your child's learning at home. Most of the books are well known and should be available for you to borrow from local libraries if you do not already have your own copy. Sharing stories with your child now is an excellent way to increase their vocabulary, develop their listening skills and introduce them to a regular reading pattern which will be essential when they move into Reception Class next year.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to speak to a member of the nursery team.

Best wishes

Mrs Claydon and Mrs Hall