



# Keep us up to date with your child's learning from home.

Whilst your child is not in nursery we would love to see what they are up to at home. Please send us pictures via the new ParentZone app so that you can continue to contribute towards your child's learning journey.



**ParentZone**

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# How to add observations from home...

**Work in partnership with us to give your child the best start in life. Communication is the Key.**

With ParentZone you can send us your comments on anything you see on your child's timeline and you can even upload your own photos from home to evidence their continued learning.

We want you to be involved in your child's learning journey. You've got the opportunity to contribute your own moments, noting down all the fun things you do at home with your children.

- To do this, click on the 'Add' button on the bottom right of the Timeline.
- Select the child (if you have more than one).
- Write some notes.
- Write what your child said in the 'Child's Voice' box (or leave blank if they didn't say anything).
- Click the add sign, this will give you the option to open your photo library or take a photo there and then.



- Select as many photos or videos as you would like and add your description into the notes section. Remember to click 'send to childcare provider'.
- This will then send to your child's Key Worker as a pending post. Once your Key Worker has published it you'll be able to see it in your child's Timeline.

# Not sure what you should add?

**We would love to see your photos and notes of activities your child has done and milestones they reach outside of the nursery setting. Everything you upload helps us to get a clear picture of your child's learning journey.**

## **Is it a first?**

Did your child do something new today? If it is a first, we want to know! Their first steps, first words, the first time they throw a ball. These are all huge milestones in your child's development and we would love for you to upload a photo and tell us all about it.

## **Have they been somewhere exciting?**

If you take a trip to the park or go on a woodland walk, upload your photos. Your child's Key Worker then has the knowledge they need to encourage your child to talk about the trip, increasing their self-confidence and building their understanding of the world.

## **Has it made your child proud?**

Confidence is a huge part of a child's social and emotional development. We want to help to celebrate all of their little wins to boost their self-confidence. Did they enter a competition, or draw a brilliant picture or help to make dinner for the family? If your key worker is aware of these achievements through ParentZone, they can create lesson plans to encourage discussions around them.

## **Have they done something at home that isn't noted at the nursery?**

Sometimes a child may exhibit different behaviours in different environments. If your child is shy and quiet at nursery but loves to put on dance performances at home, upload a photo or video for us. This helps to complete the learning journey for each child. We can also analyse what we can do to gently encourage these behaviours at nursery as well.