

Family Learning

Glasgow's Improvement Challenge

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTOR:

Family Transitions P1 Programme – “Getting ready for school”

Curricular Area – Early level; Literacy, Numeracy, Health & Wellbeing

Target Audience



- Early Years
 - Early Primary
- *Parents/Carers of children aged 4-5 pre school age

Resources:



- **Training** – Staff to undergo 1 hour awareness training on how to effectively use the resources. This can be done one to one with Family Learning Officer or as a group.
- **Staff** – Two facilitators are required to deliver the programme at all times – this will be pre school nursery staff, Primary 1 teacher, Child Development Officer
- **Time** – The programme is delivered in the last term of the pre school year. There are four weeks of Family Learning sessions to engage children into and families into transitioning to Primary 1.
- **Material** – Resource pack from FLO team, topic book, arts and crafts resources to be bought from nursery/ school budget (small cost). The Family Learning Team will provide awareness training and the resource pack along with evaluation.
- **Budget** – Small budget for a light family meal/snack e.g. sandwiches, soup, fruit etc. and small items of stationery/equipment. Approx. £150
- **Venue** – This programme can be delivered in any setting e.g. nursery, school, community facility etc. as long as a quiet room/space is available within the venue that accommodates a maximum of 12 parents/carers and 12 children participating in the workshops from pre school nurseries. This can include all feeder nurseries.

Planned Outcomes:



Intended outcomes for children:

- Improvements in the child's transition from nursery to primary 1
- Improvements in child's softer skills in regards to education and motivation to learn moving from nursery to P1
- Improvements in child's social and emotional skills
- Improvements in child's communication skills
- Improvements in child's interest in and understanding of literacy and numeracy moving from nursery to P1

Intended outcomes for parents:

- Improvements in parent/child communication
- Increase in understanding and empathy for their child's transition from nursery to P1.
- Increase in parental motivation to support their child's learning prior to Primary 1
- Increase in parent's confidence in supporting their child's learning from nursery to P1
- Increase in communication between parents and nursery/ school

Intended outcomes for schools:

- Increase in parental engagement in the school
- Strengthening of relationships between the school and parents

Partners:



- Glasgow Life Family Learning Team

Aims & Objectives:



- Providing activities that parents/carers and children can do together to stimulate the home learning environment
- Provide parents with information, strategies and techniques that improve their knowledge of how they can support their child's transition to P1
- Model how to approach, engage and work with families (parental engagement)
- Create opportunities for nurseries/ schools and parents to build relationships to create a meaningful foundation

Method:



P1 Family Transition programme “Getting ready for P1”

This programme is aimed at parents/carers of pre school children aged between four and five years old who are moving from nursery to primary 1.

Families attend a series of 6 x 2 hour workshops delivered in school/nursery over a six week period with timings of the workshops arranged to suit parents' needs.

Parents attend some elements of the workshop by themselves and some with their children.

Workshop themes are;

- Week 1 – Introduction to Getting Ready for Primary 1 – a guide for parents
 - Introduction to topic book- Harry and the Dinosaurs go to school
 - Checklist of skills.. E.g. “Can I zip up my jacket” for parents to work on at home with their child. (1 hour information session)
- Week 2 Literacy Activity – Reading aloud can be done by teachers, CDO's , LPA and literacy activity 1
- Week 3 Literacy activity – parents & child
- Week 4 Numeracy activity – parent & child
- Week 5 Art/Health and wellbeing creative activity- parent& child with a view to take back to first day of Primary 1
- Week 6 Evaluation and celebration event

Activity packs for each week available on Glasgow Online (link below)

Monitoring and Evaluation

Evaluation forms for parents, children and teachers. Check in 3 months after starting school to see how families and children have transitioned.

COVID Adaptations:

Can be done online via MS Teams in small groups

Can be done as home learning task lead by parents and staff member or support worker to check in weekly - through Whataspp, Facebook, Twitter

Useful Links

<http://www.goglasgow.org.uk/Pages/Show/2213>

You Tube Read Aloud of Harry and The Dinosaurs' go to school
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gCR42DG1JoU>

