



## **Somerset Nursery School and Children's Centre**

### **Early Years Pupil premium (EYPP) 2016-17**

Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP) was introduced by Government in April 2015 to help early years providers try to ensure those children who are inexperienced, make accelerated progress to close the attainment gap between their progress and that of their less disadvantaged peers. It could also be used to ensure those EYPP children who are currently where they are expected to be in terms of attainment and progress, are enabled to be more experienced in some areas of learning.

At Somerset Nursery School we support all children to achieve their full potential. We see it as our responsibility to ensure we meet the needs of each and every child, recognising them as individuals.

The funding for three and four year olds is provided for children meeting the funding criteria. As an Early Years setting we have the freedom to choose how we spend the money to maximise the impact on children's learning and development and thus narrow the gap.

Our allocation for the year 2016-2017 was £7,855 and we used the additional funding in the following ways:

- Buying in specialist training e.g. Music Therapy
- Providing additional staff e.g. Teaching Assistant Support
- Buying in specialist workshops i.e. African drumming
- Training for staff with an emphasis on high quality teaching

- Trips into the local and wider community which enhance children's learning and development

### **Measuring the impact**

We review progress for individual children and groups of children on a termly basis. In addition we assess the impact of interventions. These measures allow us to respond to evidence, plan accordingly and provide necessary support to ensure that progress is sustained.

Some of the ways we monitor the impact on outcomes for children are:

- Termly tracking and monitoring of data
- Consultations and meetings with parents
- Parent questionnaires (Parental feedback is sought annually)

All children make typical and above typical progress, with almost all making rapid or significantly rapid progress.

More Early Years Pupil Premium children make significantly rapid progress; 65% EYPP compared to 51% non EYPP.