

Learn Together Bella

Let's work together!
What do you think?



Bella the bee works cooperatively with others. She can work in a team to share her ideas and listen to others. Our pupils are learning that together everyone achieves more. Bella explains her thinking and knows that not everyone will agree.

To develop this skill for learning at home could you:

- Work with your brother, sister or friend to make a den together?
- Help a grown up to fix something? Talk about how you might do it!
- Explain to someone how to play one of your favourite games? Help them to be successful!

Take care of your work so you can feel proud of it!

Simon Spider



Simon the spider always takes great pride in his work! He works carefully and never rushes. He understands that you need to take your time when you are working. Our pupils are learning that taking pride in your work is important.

To develop this skill for learning at home could you:

- Use your best handwriting to write a letter to someone in your family?
- Make a model, cutting and sticking very carefully?
- Tidy your bedroom?
- Take care when making a gift for someone's birthday?

Our Learning Stars



At Galleywood Infant School we are aiming to give our pupils life long skills for learning. To be a successful learner we believe it is important to:

- Try hard
- Have a go at new challenges
- Make improvements
- Be curious
- Work together in a team
- Take pride in your work

We have created 'Learning Stars' to teach the children how to develop these skills. This booklet is designed to give you more information about these skills and how you can support your children at home.

Try hard Trevor

Don't give up, keep trying!



Trevor the tortoise always tries hard and never gives up! Our pupils are learning that to be successful you need to work hard, practise lots and to keep going when tasks get tricky.

To develop this skill for learning at home could you:

- Try to ride your bike without stabilisers?
- Try and swim a little further and get your next swimming badge?
- If a game or model goes wrong, don't give up, have another go!
- Keep practising those sight words or maths facts!



I can link new learning to something I already know

Sticky the Starfish

Sticky the Starfish links new learning to something he already knows! Our pupils are learning that making links with something from our long-term memory helps us to make sense of new learning, connects the knowledge and helps learning to stick!

To develop this skill for learning at home could you:

- Remind children about something from a visit or experience they have had, where this links to a new event or discussion
- Prompt children to make links between stories, "can you remember another story with a princess? With a big bad wolf?"
- Use number facts to work out new facts, e.g. if we know $7+3=10$ then we can work out $27+3$ or $67+3$ or $70+30$.

Make it better Betty

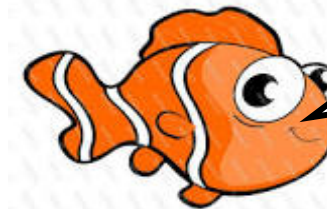
How can you make it better? Let's



Betty the beaver looks carefully at her work. She identifies her best bits but also identifies one thing she might need to improve! Our pupils are learning to make improvements to their work and to aim to be better than last time.

To develop this skill for learning at home could you:

- Make a model or a picture a bit better than last time?
- Choose just one thing to make a little better– kick harder when you swim or watch the ball to catch it!
- Improve on your personal best– one extra sight word? A puzzle you couldn't do before?



I wonder how? I wonder if?

Curious Nemo

Nemo the clown fish is extremely curious! He is always asking questions about how things work or why things happen. Our pupils are learning that being curious and asking questions enables you to make new discoveries.

To develop this skill for learning at home could you:

- Do some research about your favourite animal and find some exciting new facts?
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- Ask questions about things you see out and about– a frosty spider's web, rainbows, mist, shadows?