Weekly Learning Summary
Believe You Will Achieve

Note from Aileen Mackay, Head Teacher
Welcome back to all of you and welcome to our new families that have started with us. We trust you get to feel part of the whole school very quickly. This is a good term to see things grow: both plants and children! Some of you will be thinking about the enrolment for P1 and some of you may be questioning whether you think your child is ready. Speak with your child’s keyworker in the first instance but don’t hesitate to speak with me. There will be lots of opportunities coming up for your child and also in June for yourselves to get to know the school better.

Note from Lisa Stuart, Childcare Manager
Our new children who started this week are already beginning to settle and learn the nursery routine and rules.

Our rules in nursery are:

- Kind hands
- Good listening
- Indoor voices
- Walking feet indoors
- Sharing and taking turns

We would encourage you to discuss these with your child at home to help reinforce a good understanding of the rules.

Note from, Pauline Cassie, Early Years Practitioner
Smithton ELC work alongside Childsmile please have a look at their website for more information http://www.child-smile.org.uk/. Yesterday most of the children had their teeth varnished; a note will have gone home in your child’s folder. If they missed this the Child smile team will re visit to ensure all children have opportunity to have the varnishing. On Thursday this week, Mary from Child Smile will visit at 10.30 am and 2.00pm to have a chat with the children about healthy eating and she also shows them how to brush their teeth with the aid of Mojo Monkey, a puppet.

The children have begun to share with us their thoughts on friendships, they have started to draw pictures of their friends and this encouraged lots of conversation. We will let the children take the lead on where this interest goes.

Dates for your Diary

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