



Finding Out More About My Child's Progress in Learning – Let's talk about learning.

Your child is like a living report!

In school, we aim to help your children to understand their learning in order to know how well they are doing. This enables them to talk about it in an informed way.

They, in turn, can help you understand more about their learning and talk to you about how well they are doing.

We hope this leaflet helps you to find out more about their progress in learning.

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Some tips to encourage your children to talk about their learning.

- ✚ Choose the right time to talk – *a relaxed atmosphere is good*
- ✚ Choose the right place – *take away technology if possible for both parents and children!*
- ✚ Make/plan time to talk
- ✚ Try to ask open-ended questions – *avoid 'yes' or 'no' answers*
- ✚ Avoid the 'interrogation' scenario
- ✚ Don't ask too many questions at once
- ✚ Make sure to '*listen*' to what they are saying or answering
- ✚ Support and praise
- ✚ Encourage your child to ask you questions too.

Your child – Talking about learning – you could use these questions as a starter to discuss your child's learning.

What kind of a learner do you think you are?

How did you arrive at your answers?

When do you think you might use that/those skills again?

What kind of things could that learning help you with?

Who might use those skills in their job?

Why do you think learning to measure/read/count accurately is important?

Why do you think it is important to learn about....?

Asking your child the right questions will help you get more information about:

- *Your child's understanding of their own learning*
- *How they are progressing and managing their learning*

What kind of questions could I ask my child?

About Activities

- What activities did you do today?
- What was your role in the activity?
- What/who were you working with today? How did it go?
- What equipment/tools did you need? Can you use them?
- What skills were you learning to do?
- What was the best/worst thing you did today?
- Did anything happen which you didn't expect? What?

About your Child as a Learner

- Tell me one/two/three thing(s) that you know now that you didn't know this morning?
- What did you find difficult? Why do you think so?
- If you had to do this task again, what would you change and why?
- Can you teach me something you've learned?
- Tell me something you learned that you are proud of.
- What did you expect to happen when you started the task? What did happen?
- What did you find challenging about the activity/lesson?
- What do you do if you're not sure about something?
- Could you teach me what you learned?
- What surprised you about how you learned?

Sharing the Learning at Drumoak School

Our school provides many organised opportunities for you to find out about your child's learning.

Term 1

Whole school visit during Maths Week – open afternoon
First parent /teacher consultation

Term 2

Sharing assemblies – showcasing pupils' work
Enterprise Fair
Interim report

Term 3

Class Sharing assemblies
Learning Journal – a week's work
Springtime Coffee morning – showcase
Gymnastics showcase
Second parent teacher consultation

Term 4

Learning Journal
Travel through Time showcase
Sports Day
End of session report.

Websites to assist you.

Our School Website

Please refer to the school website for our detailed year group leaflets.

We have Learning leaflets on Numeracy and Literacy.

<http://drumoak.aberdeenshire.sch.uk/>

Then tab Parent Information, next, Curriculum and lastly How to support your child leaflets. You will find a leaflet for each year group.

Our termly curriculum newsletters will also be published on the school website

Go to "About Our School" Classes and choose the appropriate class.



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Government website

PARENTZONE

<https://education.gov.scot/parentzone>

A Website for parents giving information about education in Scotland and ideas to help parents support their children's learning.

<https://education.gov.scot/parentzone/learning-at-home>

Learning at Home Page

- What can I do as a parent?
- Supporting Literacy/numeracy/Health and Wellbeing at home.
- Learning through play
- Home learning environment

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