

## **TWO YEAR PROGRESS CHECK**

### ➤ **What is the progress check at age two?**

The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) requires that parents and carers must be supplied with a short written summary of their child's development in three prime learning and development areas of the EYFS when their child is aged between 24-36 months.

These prime areas are:

- **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**
- **Physical Development**
- **Communication and Language**

### ➤ **What will the Two Year Progress Check cover? (What the child knows, can remember and do.)**

The progress check will provide parents with a short, written summary of their child's development in the prime areas, their behaviour and attitudes to learning, identifying the child's strengths and any areas where the child's progress is less than expected.

We will also comment on how the child demonstrates the Characteristics of Effective Learning such as:

#### **Playing and exploring (engagement)**

Finding out and exploring  
Playing with what they know  
Being willing to have a go

#### **Active learning (motivation)**

Being involved and concentrating  
Keeping trying, learning by trial and error  
Enjoying and achieving what they set out to do

#### **Creating and thinking critically (thinking)**

Having their own ideas  
Making links  
Choosing ways to do things

➤ **What if there are any areas of my child's progress that are lower than expected?**

If we identify areas that are lower than expected, we will discuss with you specific strategies that we suggest we put in place to support any other support the child. If there are significant emerging concerns, a disability or specific special education need identified, we will develop an Individual Education Plan to identify specific needs to support the child's future learning and development. This will involve parents and any professionals who are presently supporting the child.

➤ **What will Clowns do to support my child if my child's progress is lower than expected?**

We will select 'specific next steps' to support the child's learning and development and design the curriculum to better meet their individual needs. We will also offer suggestions of how parents and carers can support this at home.

Your child's developmental progress will be identified within an age band corresponding to **Development Matters**

➤ **What are Development Matters?**

Development Matters sets our children's developmental progression across the prime and specific areas of learning from birth to five years. It offers helpful material for practitioners to:

- Inform and support their assessment judgements of a child's development in the prime areas
- Identify if there are any areas in which a child may be developing at a faster or slower pace than the expected level of progress for their age
- Inform and support discussions with parents and other professionals (where relevant).

➤ **Can parents and carers contribute to the Two Year Check?**

Yes, this is very important. Parents and carers will be invited into Clowns to meet with their child's Key Person (this is who will have completed the Two Year Progress Check) and possibly a member of the Management Team. Within this meeting parents and carers will be able to contribute their view and comments and will also be asked of any updates in their child's interests.

➤ **What happens next?**

Your child's Two Year Progress Check will take place within 6 weeks of your child's second birthday. We will also contact you at this time to arrange a convenient date when we can meet to complete the check with your comments, suggestions and views.

We encourage parents / carers to share the contents of this check with other relevant professionals, including your Health Visitor during your Healthy Child Program Health and Development Review, and/or teacher if they are moving to another educational provision.

If you receive a date for the above review prior to receiving your Two Year Progress Check from Clowns Nursery, please advise us as soon as possible to ensure you receive your progress summary from us. If there is a significant time difference from receiving your Two Year Progress Check and your appointment with your Health Visitor, please contact us to gain an updated report as this will enable your Health Visitor to identify any developmental delays and any particular support that may be needed.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Tracy Landy  
**Principal / Proprietor**