

HELPING YOUR CHILD

It is important to help your child develop a positive attitude to learning as this will make the biggest difference in how successful they are in school.



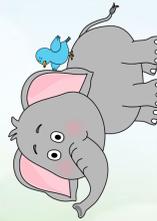
At school younger children will learn to:

- Join in with classroom activities by making choices from the range of independent tasks provided both indoors and out.
- Take part in whole class and group activities with encouragement from staff and try hard to do their best!

As they get older they will learn to:

- Improve their skills by not giving up, even when activities are challenging or more difficult!

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This leaflet aims to give advice to parents as to how they can help their child to become a better learner and achieve one of our four special ERIC awards!

We hope you find it helpful.

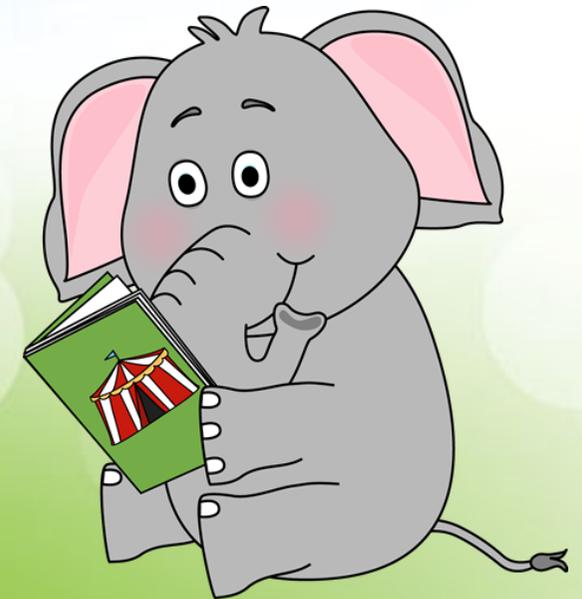


Eric's Guide for Parents

How to help your child get the Eric

EFFORT

Award!



CREATING GOOD LEARNERS

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP?

Joining in, trying their best and putting in effort to do as well as possible can be a big challenge, especially if children are not used to taking part in things they are not keen on!



Encourage your child to try things that they would not normally choose; give lots of praise and your full attention when they have-a-go as this is a great motivator!

Try and establish good routines for home learning early on; insist they take part in simple activities such as sharing a book with you, learning their Buzz Words or completing a maths game or jigsaw puzzle once started.

Remind them that
'Good learners never give up!'

effort

Eric says

Don't
give up!

Do
your
best!

Take
part!

Try
hard!

Improve your
skills!



Putting in effort at school makes a huge difference to the amount of progress your child can make.

Try the phrase "first then" if your child wants to go and do something else without finishing a task (and try not to let them flit from task to task or abandon things half way through).

Be patient; don't finish their activities for them, and don't let them 'cheat' in games! Let your child have a go at persevering to complete things themselves.

Encourage your child to complete a task with good effort rather than rushing to complete it half-heartedly; this is hard but well worth doing!

