In our EYFS we believe that children learn best in a play-based environment. That doesn’t mean that their play is low-level, repetitive and doesn’t move their learning forward. Instead we work hard to ensure that children can follow their own interests in an environment that supports them to make progress. This means the children are engaged and motivated and learn with motivation and determination. But how does that look? Here is an example of how one interest generated learning across all areas of learning.

**Personal, Social and Emotional Development**
- Playing co-operatively
- Listening to others’ ideas
- Positive relationships

**Communication and Language**
- Listen to others
- Answer how and why questions
- Express themselves effectively

**Literacy**
- Mark making for early writing

**Physical Development**
- Show control in large and small movements
- Keeping safe

**Mathematics**
- Counting
- One more than
- Adding/subtracting
- Weighing
- Capacity

**Expressive arts and design**
- Exploring pattern/design
- Being imaginative
- Representing ideas

**Understanding the World**
- Similarities and differences
- Features of their environment
- Make observations