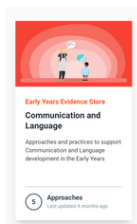
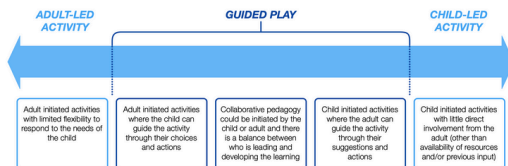


THE WELLCOMM HALO EFFECT: USING EVIDENCE INFORMED RESEARCH TO UNDERPIN PRACTICE



Wellcomm is designed to be a complete language tool, from screening to intervention. This approach to teaching communication and language is now used widely across regions and providers types. Understanding the evidence base for the approach has enabled providers to increase its effectiveness and impact on children's CL outcomes in their setting.

Wellcomm training provided by the Thrive Together SPH guided practitioners to understand our 'best bets' in communication and language practices, highlighted by the Evidence Store, within a Wellcomm context. Research studies have highlighted effective practice which targets specific language gaps and teaches explicit vocabulary. Wellcomm screening results, provide this very valuable information, which practitioners can then utilise across pedagogical continuum.



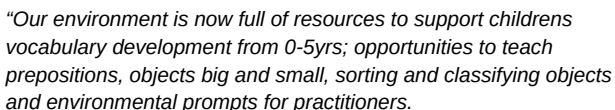
Practitioners were supported to reflect on opportunities to combine both explicit and implicit practices through; small adult led intervention groups, opportunities in routine and intentional interactions in guided play. Consideration was also given to creating a Wellcomm enabling learning environment. Practitioners were also supported to develop strategies to support parent engagement with Wellcomm.

The Wellcomm approach enabled practitioners to target those children more at risk of language delay and who therefore need more exposure to vocabulary practices.

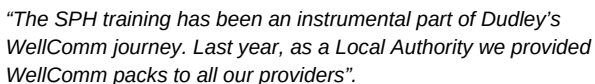


*“Our interactions with children are far more intentional now, practitioners know children’s specific language gaps and are able to use this information to inform every interaction they have. This knowledge also informs the stories we choose and the areas of provision we resource. **It’s like our children walk around wearing Wellcomm coloured halos, which informs every practitioner on the communication and language provision they need in each moment the routine**”.*

Nursery Manager, Little Explorers, Walsall.



EY Lead, Fullbrook Nursery School, Walsall.



Birth to Three officer, Dudley LA..

Resources and Links

EEF EY Evidence Store -

<https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/early-years-evidence-store/communication-and-language>



Using Wellcom to create Wellcomm friendly environments and inform playful interactions.

How to use Wellcomm to deliver targeted small group interventions and engage parents.



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