What is ELLI?

The children use different characters called ELLI animals to help spot ways in which they learn. They use them to help them become aware of the characteristics of their learning. We introduce these to the children through a story.

How do the children use these within their learning?

Children are encouraged to think how they learn best and think about which animal they can identify with. They independently choose a sticker with their chosen animal on to put into their work books to celebrate their learning.

There are seven ELLI characters which all represent a different characteristic of learning.

Meet our ELLI characters

I can stick at something even when I am finding it tricky. If I make a mistake, I learn from it and keep on going. I take risks and have a go.

I can think about my learning and plan ahead. I talk about what I am going to do and I know what will help me to learn.

I can use my imagination to create new things and solve problems. I can think 'outside the box'.

The Changing Chameleon



I can change and improve the way I learn. I know what makes me a good learner. I can use mistakes to help me change and grow.

I enjoy working with my

The Meaning Making Spider



I can make links between what I am learning and what I know already. I can see how things fit together and make connections between my learning at home and school.

I love exploring and asking questions about my learning. I love to find out new things and I like to work things out and challenge myself.

The Curious Cat



What type of ELLI learner will your child be this week?



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