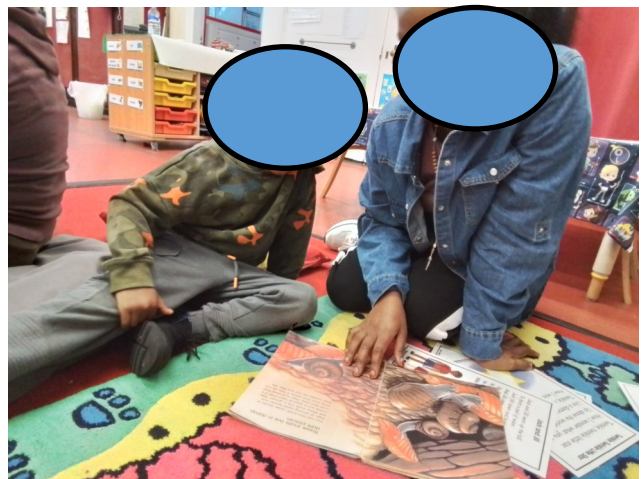


# Chatter Matter Workshop 2025

The Chatter Matter Workshop is an engaging and interactive session designed to promote the importance of early language development and communication. The workshop highlights how parents and carers play a vital role in supporting their children's speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills from an early age. Linked closely to the Letters and Sounds phonics framework, the workshop focuses on building strong foundations for language through fun and meaningful activities. Families are introduced to a variety of games and experiences that encourage children to explore sounds, words, and rhythm in everyday life. We also discuss simple ways to create a language-rich home environment, including talking about the weather, naming objects during everyday routines, identifying shop logos and signs, taking children to the park, and encouraging early reading, writing, and speaking. During the session, parents and children take part in exciting activities such as tuning into environmental sounds, playing alliteration games like Silly Soup, exploring different voice sounds, strengthening fine motor skills through Gym Dough, joining in with nursery rhymes, and developing early vocabulary through Concept Cat. The aim of Chatter Matter is to help parents feel confident in supporting language development at home and to show that talking, singing, and playing together make a real difference in a child's communication journey.

The workshop had a positive impact on both children and parents: children developed stronger listening skills, improved sound awareness, built confidence in speaking, and expanded their early vocabulary through playful learning, while parents gained practical strategies, increased confidence, and a clearer understanding of how to support communication at home. This shared experience strengthened home-school partnerships and helped families see how everyday interactions can significantly boost their child's language development.



## Parents Comments:

Bitanya mum said, "Bitanya can now say some of the sounds in her name."

Minoas mum and dad said, "We liked Silly Soup it helps children spot the initial sound in words."

Hunter mum said, "Hunter enjoyed learning about *Concept Cat* and completing the home task."

Ayub mum said, "This workshop is very good. It helps us promote language at home and understand what we can do to support our child."