The Derbyshire Early Years SEN Service - Celebratory Checkpoints. Pathway 4-5

When considering the aspects of development being observed, we should always have in mind the foundational learning themes that accompany and underpin the play and interaction we see.

Executive function includes the child's ability to, hold information in mind, focus their attention, think flexibly, inhibit impulsive behaviour. These abilities contribute to the child's growing ability to self-regulate, concentrate their thinking, plan what to do next, monitor what they are doing and adapt, regulate strong feelings, be patient for what they want and bounce back when things get difficult. Language development is central to self-regulation: children use language to guide their actions and plans. Pretend play gives many opportunities for children to focus their thinking, persist and plan ahead. The 7 C's of **Physical Development Characteristics of Effective Learning** resilience. Small Step Celebratory Checkpoints (including Early Learning Goals) Gross Motor Skills **Plaving and exploring –** I realise that my Competence I can achieve actions have an effect on the world, so I Poes the child continue to develop their movement, balancing, riding (scooters, trikes, and bikes) and ball and make repeat them. skills? progress. I reach for and accept objects, making Poes the child start taking part in some group activities which they make up for themselves, or in teams? choices and exploring different resources Confidence I have a go Does the child increasingly use and remember sequences and patterns of movements which are related and materials. and keep on to music and rhvthm? trying. I plan and think ahead about how to Poes the child choose the right resources to carry out their own plan? For example, choosing a spade to explore or play with objects. Connection enlarge a small hole they dug with a trowel. I guide my own thinking and actions by I feel safe Poes the child climb stairs, steps and moves across climbing equipment using alternate feet? Maintain talking to myself while playing. and secure in my balance using hands and body to stabilise? relationships: I make independent choices and do things Poes the child run with spatial awareness and negotiate space successfully, adjusting speed or direction I know who independently that I have been previously will support taught. to avoid obstacles? me and who I Poes the child balance on one foot or in a squat momentarily, shifting body weight to improve stability? I can collaborate and learn alongside my can ask for help. peers. Does the child develop the overall body strength, co-ordination, balance, and agility needed to engage successfully with future physical education sessions and other physical disciplines including dance. Character I bring my own interests and fascinations gymnastics, sport and swimming? into setting. This helps me develop my I have a unique learning. Poes the child use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting personality. on the floor? interests, and I respond to new experiences that you strengths. bring to my attention. Does the child further develop and refine a range of ball skills including throwing, catching, kicking, passing, batting, and aiming? Contribution Active learning – I participate in routines I make a and can predict sequences of familiar Does the child jump off an object and land appropriately using hands, arms, and body to stabilise and difference to routines. balance?

my family, to my setting and to the things I do	Does the child travel with equipment?	I demonstrate goal-directed behaviour to get to something I want.						
and play with, all of which makes	ELGs Negotiate space and obstacle	d others.	I can correct my mistakes, for example, instead of using increasing force to push a puzzle piece into the slot, I see if a					
me feel	Demonstrate strength, balance	different piece will fit.						
important and valued.	Move energetically, such as i	I repeat activities and make connections.						
Coping	Fine Motor Skills	I keep on trying when things are difficult.						
When things are difficult, I can use my	Does the child develop c involve a ball?	I learn through trial and error.						
own ways of helping	Does the child develop the	I watch my peers and adults (modelling).						
myself, as well as looking to	Does the child develop the and confidently? Suggested to	Creating and thinking critically I take part in simple pretend play.						
others for support (I can also let	spoons – sometimes with sup Does the child show a p	I can sort materials, putting different toys in together when tidying						
you know what works and what	Does the child begin to f	I can review my progress as I try to achieve a goal, check how well I am doing						
doesn't).	Poes the child use a pencil and hold it effectively to form recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed?							
Control I have a range	ELGs Hold a pencil effectively in pr	I use pretend play to think beyond the 'here and now' and to understand another perspective.						
of ways that help me feel	Use a range of small tools, in	As I know more, I feel confident at coming						
in control and feel things	Begin to show accuracy and	up with my own ideas and make more links between those ideas.						
are predictable.		I concentrate on achieving something that's important to me and am able to						
Control my attention and ignore distractions Leuven signs of engagement (2008)								
	1 Extremely Low 3 Moderate 4 High		4 High	5 Extremely High				
I have limited a or concentratio daydream and I am passive a	n, I degree of activity stare. which is often	I am busy but without real concentration. I engage in some routine actions, but my attention is often superficial. I am not absorbed in the activity; activities are short	I demonstrate clear signs of intermittent involvement; I am engaged in the activity without interruption. Most of the time there is real concentration, but					

not demonstrate goal	intermittent	lived. I have limited motivation with no real	during brief moments attention is more	strong stimuli. I exhibit attention for
directed behaviour. I	concentration and	dedication, and do not feel challenged; I do	superficial; there is a certain degree of	details, shows precision and am
do not show signs of	look away during	not gain deep-level experiences or use my	motivation when challenges occur; My	constantly addressing all my
exploration or	activity or fiddle. I	capabilities to full extent; The activity does	capabilities and imagination to a certain	capabilities and enjoys being
interests.	am easily distracted	not address my imagination.	extent are addressed in the activity.	engrossed in the activity.