

Perseverance



When you use this learning muscle you....

Keep on going despite difficulties and find ways to overcome them

Are not put off by being stuck

Tolerate feelings of apprehension, frustration or confusion without being upset

Recognise that learning can be a struggle



Our aim is to give the children the ability to stick at learning and the self confidence to believe that they can achieve

Attention can be broken when learning gets blocked but good learners have learnt the knack of maintaining or quickly re-establishing their concentration when they get stuck or frustrated. Learning can indeed be an uncomfortable activity. As teachers we help children to recognise that all learners need to show perseverance, so that they are less likely to try to avoid challenges.

Stickability

Finding solutions

Staying positive

Having another go

Keeping calm

Trying a different approach

- Using learning situations as prompts to talk about the process of persevering and how to use stuck moments and mistakes as opportunities for acquiring knowledge
- Asking pupils for ideas to help each other or to help the teacher in a stuck moment
- Relating uncomfortable moments in learning in school to life outside school
- Helping pupils to uncover the reasons behind mistakes and to develop awareness of themselves and others and to support success.

I can't do it yet, but I can learn how to

What happened when you got stuck before?

What did you do to work it out last time?

I'm not really sure about how to do this. Any ideas?

I made a mistake here. I wonder why that might be?

