

Learning Through Play

AT LEAMINGTON SCHOOL



Tonight

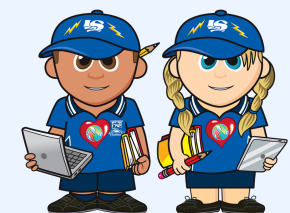
When did we start Learning Through Play?

Why are we using Play in our programme?

How does play look in the Junior Syndicate?

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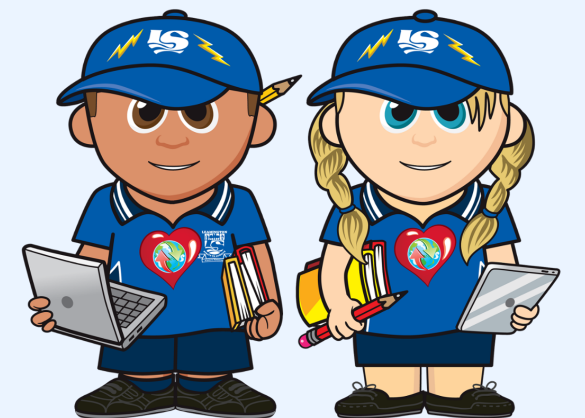
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When?

Our journey into Learning Through Play

1. Increasing awareness of the cognitive development of children. Ages and Stages.
2. Mrs Haycock's arrival and her pilot scheme
3. Research and Learning!



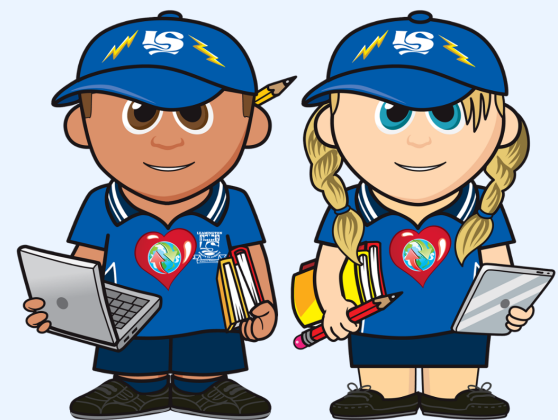
Why?

- Development of Leamington's CoGs & Virtues and NZC Key Comps and Values
- Acknowledges individual differences in children
- Positive contribution to children's sense of wellbeing
- Cognitively, socially and emotionally appropriate and advantageous
- Smooth transition from ECE
- Programme is so much more about the children. OL.
- Intrinsic motivation to learn
- Preparation for the challenges of the 21st Century - soft skills, innovation.
- Opportunity for children to become MORE LIKE THEMSELVES.



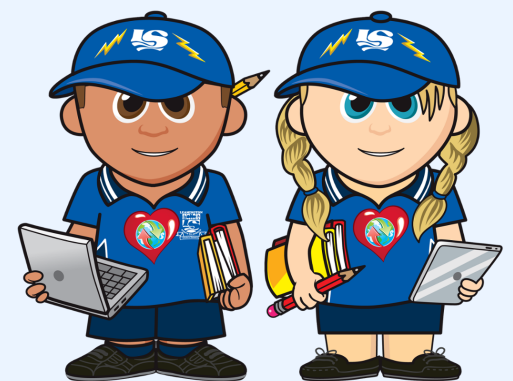
NOT Why!

- To make the day easier for the Teacher - new learning, shift in thinking, ideas, planning, resources, assessment. CHANGE!
- To have a tidier classroom
- To have quieter children
- To have children who sit down all day
- To feel like we are in complete control of the child's learning journey.



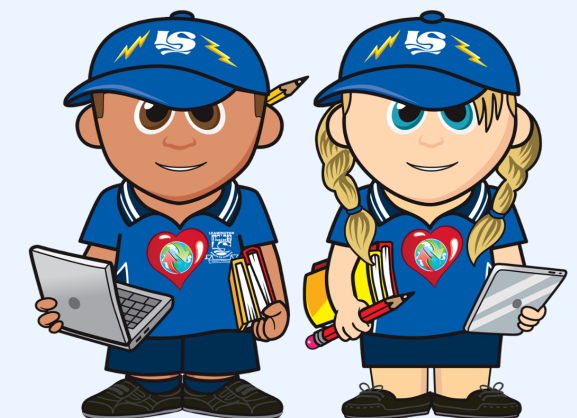
How?

- Play COMPLIMENTS our instructional programme of learning.
- Various methods of Learning Through Play - we have 'Leamingtonised' our approach - Child initiated - Teacher supported.
- Teacher Role - observe, engage, talk, add vocabulary, articulate learning.
- Schemas/ Urges
- Stages of Play
- Provocations
- Loose Parts
- Recognising strengths/ areas for development and extending the children.
- Clear expectations, consistent rules and consequences.



Keen for More?

- Nathan Mikaere Wallis' Radio NZ podcasts about play, intelligence, creativity and more
- Ted Talks about the importance of play
- Sacred Urge to Play by Pennie Brownlee and Kimberley Crisp
- Take the 'Clever Play' quiz to find out what urges your child is showing through their play.
- Come and see us in action - open door!
- Follow our Facebook Pages
- Feel free to ask your teacher if you have any questions.



Thank you for
Coming!

Any questions?

