Beavers Lodge Playgroup

Our Practice in the setting

speech

Our practitioners follow these top tips for speech

- Encourage all attempts at talking, even if the speech is unclear
- Reduce the amount of time children use dummies and aim to completely get rid of them within few days of settling in, in the setting.
- Respond to children's attempts to talk.
- If a child makes a mistake with speech, the practitioners do not correct them immediately, but just repeat the words back to them accurately.
- If a child's speech is very unclear, we provide some strategies to the parents and give information about what has gone on beyond the setting.
- If the speech sounds are persistently unclear (especially to familiar adults), we seek advice from a health visitor, and also refer them to speech and language therapist for further assessments.