

**EYPP – Call for Evidence, Early Years Pupil Premium
Case Study 3**

What?	Baskets of Opportunity – BOO baskets and the Child Development Programme in South Tyneside
Why?	The local authority identified that funded 2 year olds spend only 6.5% of their time in a nursery place and that parents and carers need to understand how their children develop and learn.
<i>Where and when?</i>	This academic year, 24 settings are using the programme and training was recently carried out for 13 child minders in South Tyneside. Pilot research for the Child Development Programme was validated as good practice in 2010.
Who?	Currently, all children within the borough of South Tyneside who are accessing the 2 year old educational places have access to resources from the BOO Basket in the setting and at home. The Children's Centres ensure that all 2 year olds have access to the resources. However all children would benefit from using the activities.
How?	<p>Baskets of Opportunity were used with children aged 18 months to 3 years and their families before moving onto the Child Development Programme which targets 3 to 5 year olds and their families.</p> <p>The baskets focused on the three prime areas of development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal, social and emotional development • Physical developments • Communication and language <p>The baskets included threading beads, building blocks, a jigsaw, a ball, a chalk board and a nursery rhyme book and CD, small world people, shape sorter, board book with focus on counting within 3, positional language and one word vocabulary that parents could use with their child.</p> <p>A resource was used in the setting every day, then outreach workers modeled the use of the basket contents with families, alongside a story and rhymes session and families then used the baskets at home with their own child, bringing the resources back the following week.</p> <p>The Child Development Programme was a resource pack designed for parents and carers of children aged 3 to 5, to be used in the home with support from early years settings. The aim was to narrow the gap in achievement between children.</p> <p>South Tyneside also delivered the 3 year old programme developed by Dr. Madeleine Portwood in Children's Centres who have 3 year</p>

	<p>olds and some schools with nurseries attached.</p> <p>The programme used research evidence on child development to support parents to promote their child’s learning and development. The programme included: DVD, manual, equipment, and access to an interactive website for support and extension activities.</p>
<p>The Evidence of Impact</p>	<p>Through the Child Development Programme, which was piloted in Darlington ‘narrowed the gap’ for some of the most vulnerable children, whilst extending the capabilities of the most able children.</p> <p>For the Baskets of Opportunity programme, children were assessed on entry (within 2 weeks of attending the setting) and again after a six month period.</p> <p>Data was sent Dr. Portwood for analysis by her statistician.</p> <p>From data received for the academic year 2013-2014, in South Tyneside, it appeared on average children made 5.6 months additional progress over that 6 months period in the three Prime Areas, when compared to those children not accessing the Baskets of Opportunity.</p> <p>Progress data January 2014-July 2014 shows the additional progress made in the six months period as follows:</p> <p>PSED – 7.9 months average for cohort Physical development – 8.3 months average for cohort Communication and Language: 7 months average for cohort</p> <p>Average progress – 7.73 months additional progress over the six month period.</p>
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