

Learn English by Default

Just talking to other people is the best way to learn a language.

If the reception, library, cafe & crèche were better integrated would The Learning & Family Centre create more day-to-day, constant, flexible, ('Drop-in' format) informal learning opportunities?

The group suggested using art & photography classes to teach language and build community relationships.

Other fun social learning activities could include...

Poetry & Story times
A Community Art Project
Daytrips e.g. to the Eden Project
Volunteer and Mentoring Schemes
African Language courses for families by families.
Local community history projects through photography classes & History walks.

Can a service at the Centre create more Learning Champions?

(People who will learn through teaching & as an added incentive, gain professional qualifications.)

Training local people, who need help & support to learn English, to train others could mean offering recent arrivals to the area volunteering or networking opportunities. Their journeys can be documented, success stories & knowledge shared and they can be linked to all of the other services they might need in the area.

Should the Learning & Family Centre be the first point of call for people looking to learn practical English language in the area?