

## SLIDE 1

Early Years in Argyll and Bute – Outdoor Learning Notes

At the heart of the Argyll and Bute ELC Delivery Plan is our Education Vision and Strategy – the following paragraph outlines our aspirations for the children and young people of Argyll and Bute:

***'OUR CHILDREN, THEIR FUTURE – Argyll and Bute Education Vision and Strategy***

*Our aspiration is to ensure that Argyll and Bute is the best place in Scotland for our children to grow up. Our vision is that **together we will realise ambition, excellence and equality for all.***

*Our vision sends a signal about the importance we attach to education is simple in message and is recognised by everyone.*

## SLIDE 2

Large part freeflow – open doors

Outdoors chosen in same way as home corner – to outdoor safe area.

Removed all plastic (in process) all natural materials

Children opting to go outdoors

## SLIDE 3

Planned learning – look to go beyond secure boundary – might use forest/beach schools techniques - fires, hammocks, shelters.

## SLIDE 4

Expectation literacy/numeracy etc. anything you can do indoors can do outdoors.

## SLIDE 5

Partnership working inter-generational work – but using wider community.

## SLIDE 6

Using outdoors for transition work nursery > primary > Stramash (Oban)

All outdoors – range of locations

Taking Bookbug etc. out.

## SLIDE 7

Outdoor Learning Strategy

Everybody by 2020 taking 100% deliver a maximum of 50% by 2020

Diagram – priorities

Aim – 80% outdoor learning

Working /developing in some settings.

Main drivers – parents, children, practitioners

Needs – children/parents/practitioners (see diagram)

Theories of activities – tested outdoors

See diagram

Provided all practitioners /children outdoor clothing.

#### SLIDE 8

As refurbishing putting dry areas and transition area for going in/out

Practitioners sharing/learning together

10 day training practitioners - taking/supporting others to do it – more trained.

Stamash – deliver partnership nursery and training – 4 areas 4 days 4 sessions

#### SLIDE 9

Wild things – deliver 10 days outdoor learning.

Inspiring Scotland – Scottish Government - One of the area partnership – outdoor in each town

Helensburgh/Dunoon/Campbeltown/Lochgilphead/Oban

New partner – Argyll Countryside Trust

North Alliance – work in partnership. The Northern Alliance Early Years Network meets every 6 weeks to share practice in the expansion and development of ELC within each local authority.

1140 hrs – aspiration of where outdoors is working towards.