

# Using Language, Symbols and Text



During circle time, Oscar has been encouraged to share news as well as to say 'pass' if he has nothing to share. After a couple of weeks when Oscar was asked if he had any news to share, Oscar replied "No, pass!"



## **I am learning to type the letters of my name using the computer or ipad keyboard.**

Oscar is able to locate the 'O' and 'S' on the keyboard, using a name template and verbal prompt. The next step is to continue to encourage him to locate the first three letters of his name, gradually withdrawing any prompts.



## **I am learning to identify groups of up to 5 items.**

During a cooking session making and decorating cupcakes, Oscar correctly identified that there were four lollies on the plate and three cupcakes, one for each of his friends. Awesome work Oscar!



The 'Shopping' game is a favourite at the moment. Oscar loves sorting out all the pieces and then handing out the shopping lists. He is able to organise everything with a little support and is learning to remember where the 'grocery items' or cards are placed so that he can collect them all to place in his shopping cart.



## **I am learning to type the letters of my name using the computer or ipad keyboard.**

Using the computer keyboard, Oscar is able to type the first letter of his name independently.



## **I am learning to recognise and 'read' 15 words of high interest.**

Using Geddes 'Flashcards' Oscar is able to recognise the word 'TV' independently. He is also matching words to photos in 'lotto' with 75% accuracy: sandwich, biscuit, chocolate, yoghurt, computer, swimming, TV, ipad.



## **I am learning to count 1-1 items up to 5.**

Using real objects Oscar is able to independently count up to 3 objects with 1-1 counting, especially if it is associated with his favourite foods.



Using the app 'Match it up 1' Oscar is able to discriminate between seven items to match the central picture with 90% accuracy.



## **I am learning to recognise numerals to 10.**

Using Geddes 'Flashcards' and the app 'Monkey Maths Sunshine' Oscar is able to correctly match numeral to numeral up to 5.



Today when we were setting up the iPads Oscar correctly identified that there were 6 iPads and then stated who could go on each iPad - naming the correct number of children. Awesome Oscar!

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Oscar has been experimenting with the camera on the iPad. He discovered today that you can apply a range of effects to the photo after you have taken it. He spent a good 20 minutes playing around with it.



Today during circle time Oscar was asked if he had any news to share. He then independently stated that he went to Tom's yesterday, that \*\*\* was going back today and that he was going home to see his parents. He also said that he watched Kids Zone on TV yesterday. When Tom was asked, Oscar had recalled all the information correctly.



**I am learning to recognise numerals to 10.**

At circle time Oscar will now consistently state that he is 9 years old and will point to the number 9 on the static numbers board. Way to go Oscar!



**I am learning to type the letters of my name using the computer or ipad keyboard.**

Using the static alphabet board at circle time Oscar can now consistently spell out his name independently.



Oscar is completing more difficult puzzles that he is familiar with e.g. 16 piece puzzle, matching pictures rather than shapes. He is able to explain what the pictures are of, especially the supermarket puzzles, and to also match up parts of the puzzles using pieces of the picture.



Lynda and Oscar were playing 'I Spy'. Lynda said "what begins with 'O'?" and he said "Oscar". Lynda then said "what begins with 'L'?" and Oscar said "Lynda". In the middle of celebrating his success, Oscar turned to Lynda and "I'm a star!"



Out at RDA while riding he was able to correctly identify the following letters: m, c, f, e, k. He had to locate them around the arena and guide his pony in that direction. He also knew the colours orange, blue and red within the tasks at RDA.



During circle time today Oscar was asked how he was feeling. Instead of choosing 'I'm happy' as he usually does, Oscar chose 'I'm tired'. So true, as he almost fell asleep before lunch time.

