



Cramond Primary School

# Learning Journals

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# Aims of the session

§ What are learning journals and why do we use them?

§ Main features

§ Expectations

§ Use during remote learning

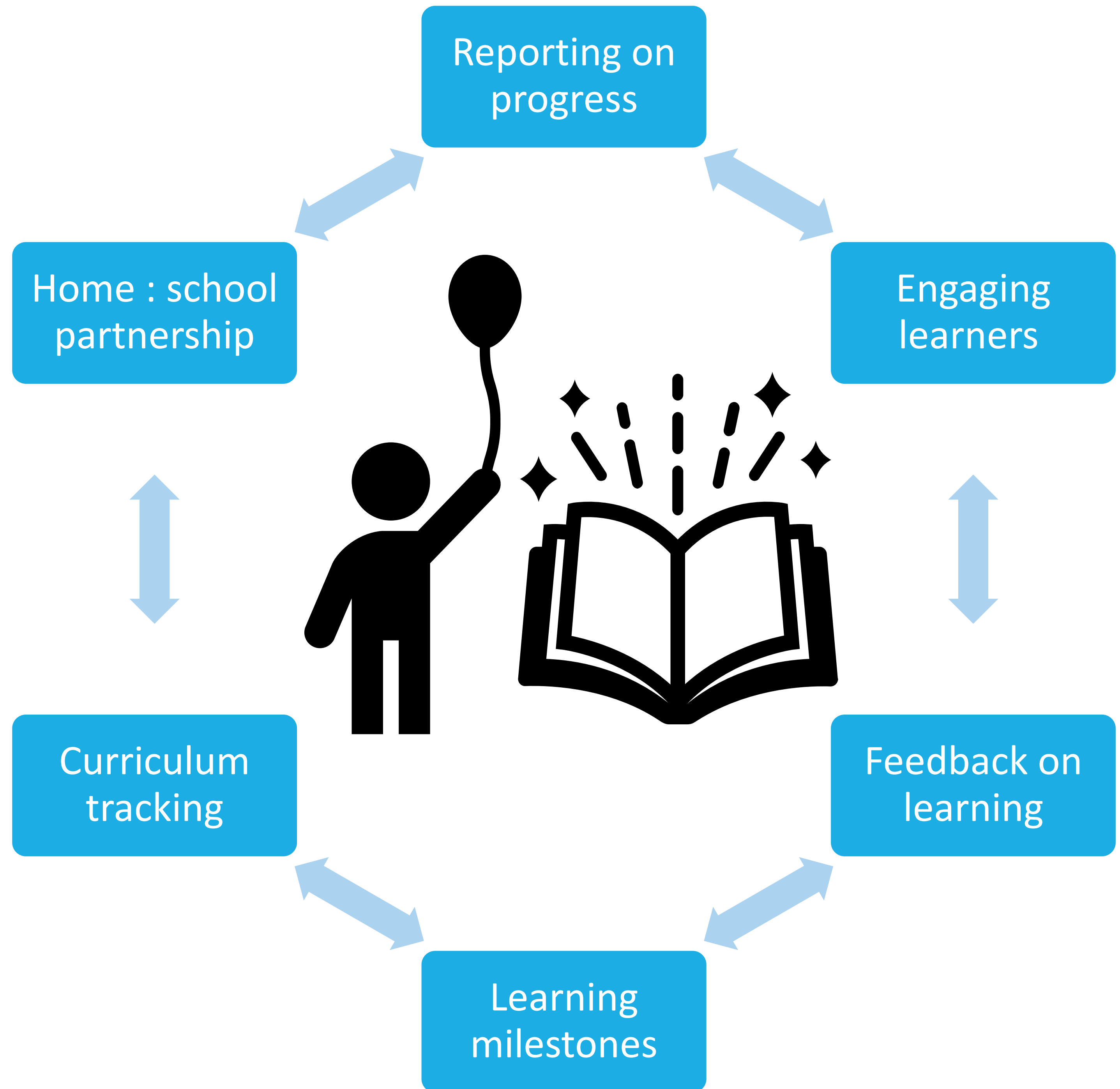
§ Benefits and drawbacks

# Affirming our Why? Rethinking reporting.

What matters most?

Most impact of our time?

Digital Portfolio stays with the child – is built up over time and works in direct reference to with our big red book of learning!



# What are Learning Journals?

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## TEACHER PERSPECTIVE

Communication with parents

Observe and report on pupil progress

Share information about learning in class

Provide feedback on home learning and class work

## PARENT PERSPECTIVE

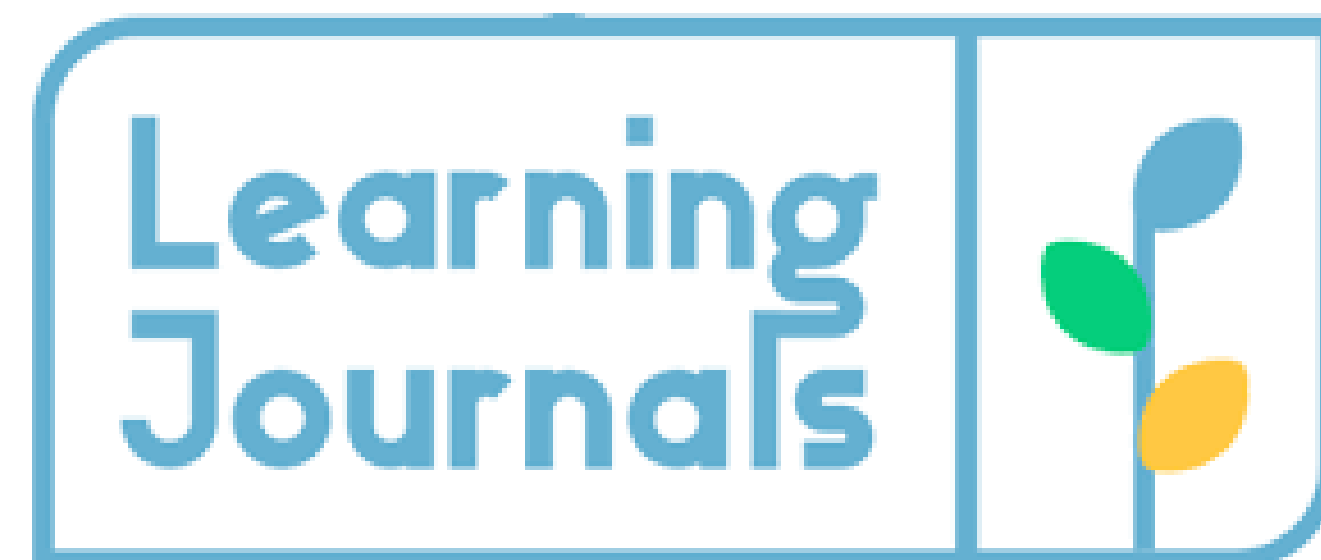
An ongoing report of your child's learning

Photographic and evidence based

Highlights progression

Personalised report comments

Insight into learning in the classroom



# Features of Learning Journals

- Reflective of your child's learning and progress (personal to child)

Observation

- Sharing learning that is happening in the classroom and beyond
- Generic for full class

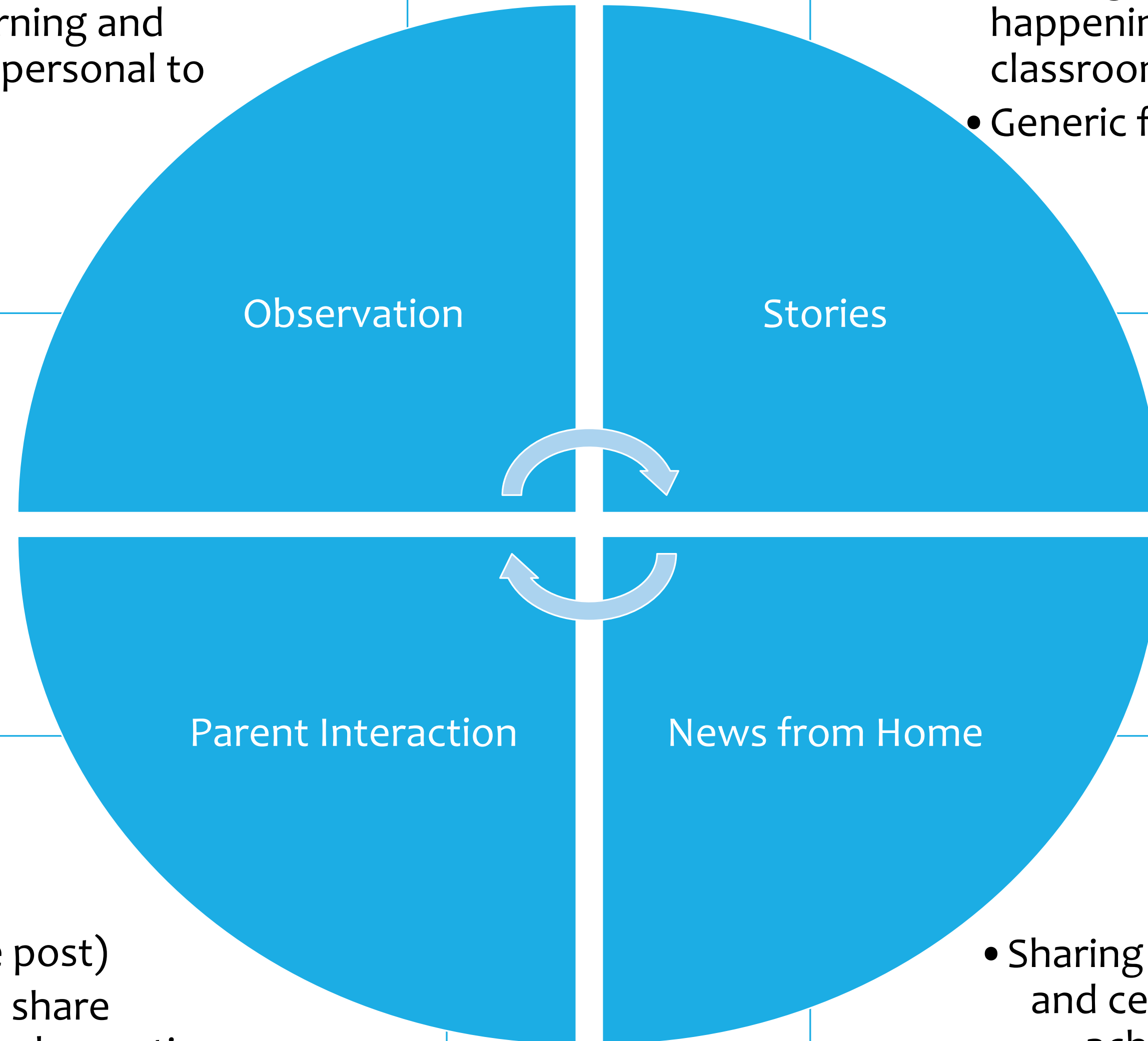
Stories

Parent Interaction

- Likes (acknowledge post)
- Comment to share feedback or ask questions

News from Home

- Sharing home learning and celebrate wider achievements



# How we use Learning Journals?

## Reporting Format

- 2 termly individual observations linked to progress in planned learning activities in literacy, numeracy & HWB.

## Sharing Learning through weekly stories

- Sharing learning with families
- Record of ongoing learning experiences

## Pupil Participation

- 2<sup>nd</sup> level pupils all have individual access to their Learning Journal and write observations to share their progress
- Upload learning from home

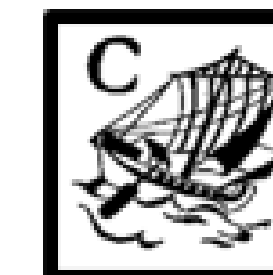
## Learning @home

- Parents upload learning from home
- Wider achievements shared

## Communication

- Staff can send messages to families – personal approach
- Parent feedback and messages to individual posts

*Learning Journals & Milestones Red Jotter*  
*Evidence of Learning - Session 2022/2023*  
*Guidance on Reporting*



# Our Learning Framework

In agreement with staff, we created a termly overview of required observations

<p align="center"><u><i>August - October</i></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Story to share class newsletter (Start of term)</li> <li>• Story to share home learning</li> <li>• Weekly Learning story</li> <li>• Blackline drawing in milestones jotter</li> <li>• Parent Consultation with class teacher</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><u><i>October - December</i></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weekly class story on learning highlights</li> <li>• Individual Literacy observation</li> <li>• Individual Numeracy observation</li> </ul>
<p align="center"><u><i>January – March</i></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weekly class story on learning highlights</li> <li>• Individual Literacy observation</li> <li>• Individual Numeracy observation</li> <li>• Parent consultation with class teacher</li> </ul>	<p align="center"><u><i>April - June</i></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weekly class story on learning highlights</li> <li>• Individual Literacy observation</li> <li>• Individual Numeracy observation</li> <li>• End of year Health and Wellbeing comment</li> </ul>

- 1 focused piece of assessed writing will be written in your child's milestones jotter – this will link with the literacy observation for that term
- On weeks class teachers publish an observation, there will **not** be a weekly story.
- Teachers will use Learning Journals to send important messages
- Comments to observations/ stories should link to the post.
- Please note that your comments to observations and stories **can** be seen by the senior management team and other teachers
- Your comments and your child's profile **cannot** be seen by any other parents