



## Helicopter Stories

A creative and holistic approach to learning for EYFS and Key Stage 1

### About Helicopter Stories:

The Helicopter Stories approach, pioneered by **Vivian Gussin Paley** and championed in the UK by theatre and education charity **MakeBelieve Arts**, harnesses the power of storytelling to inspire powerful learning outcomes in key curriculum areas, such as Communication and Language, Personal, Social and Emotional Development and early compositional skills in Writing. As a MakeBelieve Arts Centre of Excellence, we're pleased to offer training sessions for this child-centred approach.

**Helicopter Stories facilitates significant, measurable progress for all children, whatever their starting point.**

**About our school:** Bognor Regis Nursery School has been using the Helicopter Story approach for several years since originally being inspired at an INSET day run by Make Believe Arts in 2010. Helicopter Stories are used across the Nursery School and the team are passionate about the benefits it brings in supporting **all** children's learning and development. This child centred approach compliments the schools own philosophy and its aspirations to enable all children to fly. Bognor Regis Nursery School became a Centre of Excellence in 2018. School website address: [www.brns.org](http://www.brns.org)

*"A good balance of discussion, observing and listening throughout the day"*

*"Very well presented, fun and interesting. Taking away so many different ideas and thoughts"*

**Practitioners have said:**

*"Excellent! Felt very well thought out, well prepared and delivered with humour"*

*"I really enjoyed being able to see the process in action"*

*"during the inspection a child's story about trees and cars was acted out by children on a stage, much to the delight of all." **'Outstanding'** November 2018.*

### We would love you to join us at one of our next training sessions!

- **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019**
- **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019**
- **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019**
- **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2019**

9am-3pm at **Bognor Regis Nursery School, 85 Victoria Drive, Bognor Regis, West Sussex PO21 2TB**  
£115 per delegate (lunch not included) Delegates will receive a copy of *Princesses, Dragons and Helicopter Stories* by Trisha Lee.

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