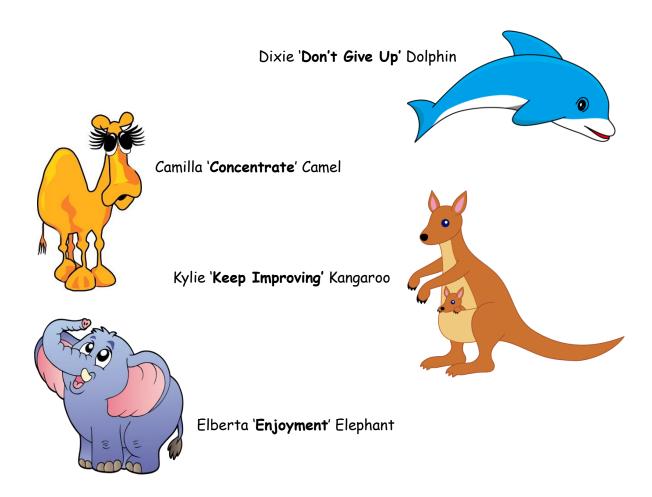
Bromstone Learning Powers

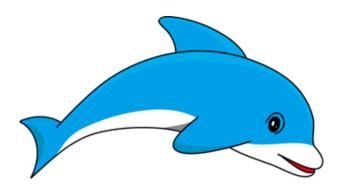
At Bromstone we have a set of special powers that help us learn.

In Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 we have 4 Super Learning Powers.



Each power has a character with a story to help explain the power and we have put these in a booklet for you. We hope the children will explain to you what the learning powers are and how we use them! At school the children are very good at telling us which learning power they are using and how it is helping them to learn!

Dixie 'Don't Give Up' Dolphin



One sunny morning, Dixie the Dolphin was happily swimming in the pool at the zoo where she lived. That morning, some children went with their teacher to the zoo to throw some fish to feed the dolphins. All the other dolphins were swimming nearer to the edge than Dixie, and quickly gobbled up most of the fish before swimming away. Dixie could see the children throwing fish. She tried to swim over three times, but each time she couldn't get to the edge of the pool! But she didn't give up. She used all her energy to swim to the side of the pool where the children were, and because they had seen how Dixie hadn't given up they threw her some extra fish!

If you are being a Dixie 'Don't give up' Dolphin you will:

Work hard

Practise lots

Keep going

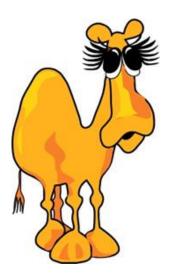
Try new strategies

Ask for help

Start again

Take a brain break

Camilla 'Concentrate' Camel



Once upon a time there were a family of Camels – Mummy Camel, Daddy Camel and their daughter, Camilla the Camel. One day, Mummy Camel asked Camilla to go out and collect some leaves for dinner. As she set off she met her friend Tom, who wanted to go and play football. But Camilla said "No, I need to collect my leaves". A bit later, she met her cousin Joshua, who asked her to go to his house for lemonade, but again, Camilla said "No, I have to collect leaves. I need to concentrate on what Mummy asked me to do". When she had finished collecting leaves, she went home and told her Mummy what her friends had said. "Well done Camilla for concentrating on what I asked you to do, now you have finished, you can go and play!"

If you are being a Camilla 'Concentrate' Camel you will:

Not get distracted

Get lost in the task

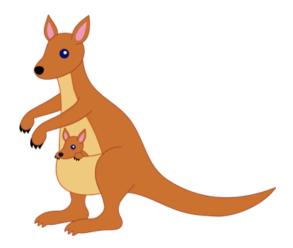
Do one thing at a time

Break things down

Plan and think it through

Draw diagrams, jot down thoughts or things which help you think

Kylie 'Keep Improving' Kangaroo



One summer's day, Kylie the Kangaroo was busy eating grass near her house. Her Mum had been teaching her how to hop and she wanted to practice so she went to a place where there were no other kangaroos and tried to hop into the air. Unfortunately, she had forgotten everything she had been taught and she fell straight to the ground! But Kylie the Kangaroo didn't stop, she decided to try again (just like Dixie the Dolphin) and got back up again. This time, she remembered to use her legs as she jumped and she went a little bit higher before she fell to the ground. Kylie was happy that she had gone higher so she kept using her legs and improved her hopping every time. Finally, she hopped 2 metres into the air. When she got home, her Mum was very proud of her, but she was also very proud of herself for practising and improving every time.

If you are being a **Kylie 'Keep Improving' Kangaroo** you will:

Keep reviewing your work

Identify your best bits

Improve one thing first

Try to be better than last time

Don't compare yourself to others, only yourself!

Take small steps

Elberta 'Enjoyment' Elephant



One winter day, Elberta the elephant was at school. Elberta had been very excited about PE that morning, but halfway through the morning it started to rain outside. Elberta's teacher said that they wouldn't be able to do PE anymore and that they could do some writing instead. Even though Elberta was sad, she decided to try hard at writing. Other elephants in his class were sad and didn't want to try at their writing and they stayed sad all morning, but Elberta tried her best. Because she tried hard and wasn't too sad, she enjoyed what she was learning and learnt lots more! And she was allowed to do PE in the afternoon!

If you are being an Elberta 'Enjoyment' Elephant you will:

Feel proud of all your achievements

Love learning!

Imagine your intelligence growing by the minute!

Use what you have learnt in real life

Know you can do it if you have input and you practise

