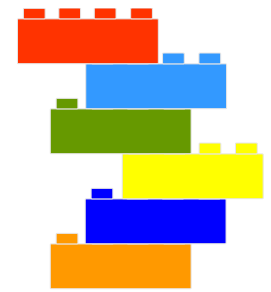
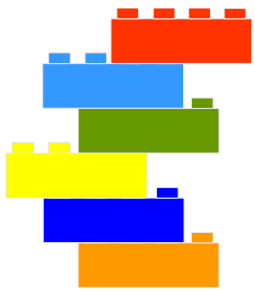


What is Six Bricks ?

How do you use them ? Why should you use them ? When do you use them ?

*Six Bricks is a concept which playfully engages children in a variety of skills development.
As with any skill, to develop it, one needs to explore it, to experience it, and to practise it.
Afforded these opportunities children can ...*



... develop these Executive Functions ...

Attitude & motivation

- Initiates activities
- Enjoys solving problems
- Tackles new tasks confidently
- Persists in the face of difficulties
- Finds own resources without adult help

Planning, focus and shift attention

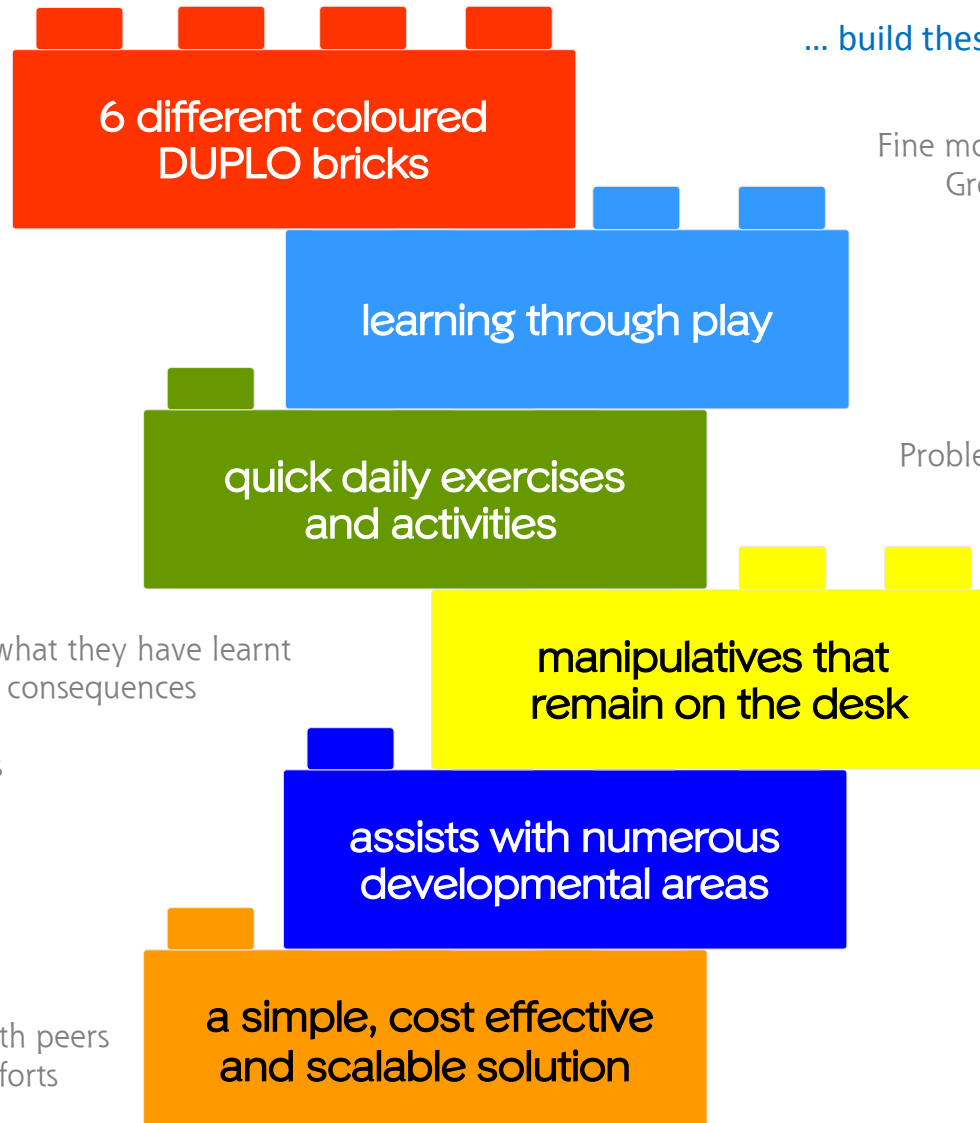
- Keep attention and resist distraction
- Monitor progress and seek help when needed
- Ask questions and suggest answers
- Plan own tasks, targets and goals
- Develop own ways of carrying out tasks
- Can speak about future planned activities

ProSocial

- Speak about how they have done something or what they have learnt
- Can speak about own and others' behaviour and consequences
- Use previously taught strategies
- Use previously heard language for own purposes
- Be aware of own strengths and weaknesses
- Make reasoned choices and decisions

Reflecting on learning

- Negotiates when and how to carry out tasks
- Can resolve social problems with peers
- Shares and takes turns independently
- Engages in independent cooperative activities with peers
- Is aware of feelings of others and helps and comforts



... build these Developmental Areas ...

Physical

- Fine motor skills (hands and fingers)
- Gross motor skills (whole body)
- Use senses (sight, touch etc.)
- Spatial skills / orientation
- Balance / coordination

Intellectual

- Attention skills
- Reasoning / logic
- Problem-solving / experimentation
- Memory skills
- Creativity
- Imagination

Emotional

- Empathy
- Motivation
- Self-awareness
- Express emotions
- Self-confidence, self-esteem

Social

- Language (descriptions)
- Perspective-taking
- Collaboration
- Share ideas / thinking
- Story-telling
- Roles & responsibilities

Executive functions are mental skills that help the brain organize and act on information.

These include working memory, reasoning, task flexibility, and problem solving as well as planning and execution.