



EAL/D at Carlingford West PS

Kindergarten Orientation - 2021

Carlingford West PS



1750+ students



64 countries



96% LBOTF



EAL/D at CWPS



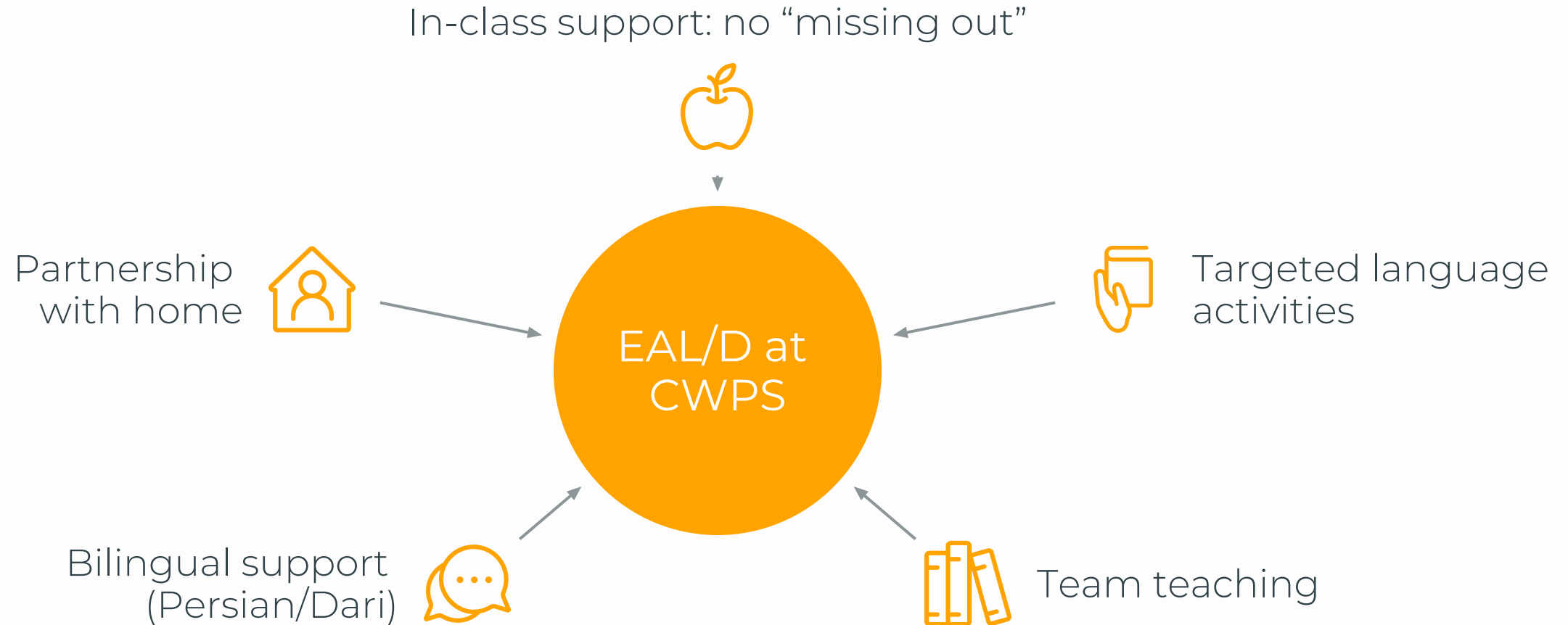
What is EAL/D?

English as an Additional Language or Dialect



- Learning in Australia is accessed through English = pretty important!
- Learning English takes a long time:
 - Learning in English
 - Learning through English
- Social language comes first
- Developing **academic language** for success at school

What EAL/D looks like in Kindergarten



Bilingualism is a Strength

- No need to limit your child's use of their first language
- We develop English proficiency so that your child can be bilingual (not just speak English)
- Learning in their first language helps support your child's English learning



It's the
little
cultural
things...

Woofs of the World



EAL/D: what to expect

EAL/D Learning Progression

Beginning

Emerging

Developing

Consolidating

Targeted Support

- EAL/D specialist teacher develops activities to develop each child's English language skills
- EAL/D teacher works closely with class teacher and Assistant Principal

Ongoing Assessment

Continual to check student progress and informs class programs

Reporting

EAL/D phase (above) will be reported on as part of each academic report

What can you do before school starts?

1. Lots of play: encourage play with a range of children
 - i. play simple games with them (Simon Says)
 - ii. sing silly songs (heads & shoulders etc etc)
2. Read, read, read
3. Keep up your home language
4. Partnership between home & school
5. Most importantly...



Don't panic!

Children are very resilient and we're here to support you as your child starts school



Questions?

