THANKING THE CLASSROOM VISITOR

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:
To be able to express gratitude to last week’s visitor for their work in the school.
To know why we should be grateful to people who help us.

Suggested Resources:
Writing paper and pencils.

Script:
“Who visited us last week? Why do they play an important role in the school? Have you seen this person at work in school during the week? What were they doing? What did this mean for you – how has it helped you?” (Teachers may need to support children to understand the work of the visitor in their own experience of school.)

Suggested Activities:
Write a class letter on the whiteboard thanking the visitor for their visit and their work in the school. Teachers should model good thank you letter writing, demonstrating, in particular, the importance of saying why you are thankful and how their work makes you feel. Take ideas from the class – this must be their letter. Once a draft has been produced on the carpet, give children an opportunity to write a best copy of their letter.

Character Coaching
Meaningful Praise:
Well done – I like the way you expressed your gratitude.

Guidance:
Saying thank you shows that you have noticed when someone is kind to you. This is really important for making relationships and communities stronger.

Correction:
Remember that we should not ignore the kind things that people do for us. It is important to be thankful because it helps everybody get along happily.