



## Talking Tip 26

### Bilingualism is an asset

Encourage parents to keep up the use of their mother tongue with their children, even if parents feel the child is not learning English quickly enough. A strong mother tongue will help the child to learn English more quickly.

Follow these links to download tips for parents in their own language as well as the answers to frequently asked questions on Bilingualism.

[www.literacytrust.org.uk/talk\\_to\\_your\\_baby/resources/418\\_q](http://www.literacytrust.org.uk/talk_to_your_baby/resources/418_q)

[www.literacytrust.org.uk/talk\\_to\\_your\\_baby/resources/308\\_bilingualism\\_faq](http://www.literacytrust.org.uk/talk_to_your_baby/resources/308_bilingualism_faq)

2011 is the National Year of Communication for more information visit [www.hello.org.uk](http://www.hello.org.uk)

August 2011: Partnership with Parents  
Adults are the best resource – adult:child interaction supports speech, language and communication development

