EARLY CHILDHOOD PROJECT LEARNING

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ABSTRACT

Online learning during COVID-19 has an impact on the physical and mental health of early childhood. Physical children do not move much and mental stimulation is more dominant in children's cognitive-language content. Project-based learning can stimulate children's development as a whole, meaningfully, and provoke children's curiosity. Traditional games can be packaged in a project-based learning approach. The research method uses descriptive qualitative, data collection tools in the form of observation sheets, interview guides, and project-based learning activity document studies. The research subjects consisted of 60 kindergarten teachers from the districts of Gunung Kidul and Sleman, Yogyakarta. The first trial of project-based learning was carried out at the Giripurwo Village Hall, Gunungkidul. The games chosen by the participants were Gotri, Subyung, Hompipah, Domikado, Lurahan, Suksukparembruk, and Chain Messages. The second project-based learning trial is located at TK ABA Ngabean 2, Tempel, Sleman. The games chosen by the participants were the Big-Small Roundabout, Bathok Sluku, Gotri, Hompimpah, Lurahan, Subyung, Suksukparembruk, Chain Message, Simsim-Thanksim. Project-based learning consists of three stages, namely initiation, development, and conclusion of project activities. The results of project-based learning reflect the values ??of mutual respect, helping each other to achieve goals, cohesiveness in achieving collective goals, growing self-confidence, honing the ability to be responsible for every choice of action taken.

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