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The owner of an Edinburgh-based children's language business praises Kate, Duchess of Cambridge, for teaching Prince George and Princess Charlotte to speak Spanish.

Giselle Dominguez, who runs Lingotot North Edinburgh, delivering classes in Broughton and Leith for pre-school and primary school aged children across Edinburgh was delighted to hear the news that Prince George can already count to ten in Spanish and his little sister is also learning the language. The revelation was made during a visit to a charity farm project in Gloucestershire, where the Duchess shared the news with a group of schoolchildren.

The royal tots join a growing number of youngsters learning a second language, including Sam Faier's son Paul who learns Spanish after appearing on ITV Be series the Mummy Diaries with Lingotot.

Up and down the country Lingotot teaches 10,000 children aged 0-11 each week to speak a range of modern foreign languages including French, Spanish, German, Arabic and Mandarin and here in Edinburgh the number of children grows month on month.

Giselle Dominguez comments: "I am delighted to hear that the young royals are learning a second language with the help of Kate and the children's Spanish nanny. Research suggests that children who know two languages can gain an academic advantage over those who speak only one. Linguist experts say that between birth and five years of age, the human brain is hardwired for learning multiple languages and after this age it becomes much harder."

Giselle Dominguez continues: "At Lingotot we understand that not everyone has the resources to hire a nanny and in our lessons we teach the parents too, giving them top tips on how to use

the language at home every day. We share our multilingual songs, stories and games with the whole family.

Giselle Dominguez invites you to come and try a Lingotot class for free at one of their venues and your little one will be saying 'uno, dos, tres' before you know it!