



Reception – Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

The Reception year marks the end of the children’s foundation stage education, before they move to Key Stage 1. There are seven areas of learning in the EYFS. All areas of learning and development are important and inter-connected. Three areas are particularly crucial for igniting children’s curiosity and enthusiasm for learning, and for building their capacity to learn, form relationships and thrive.

These three areas, the prime areas, are:

- communication and language;
- physical development;
- personal, social and emotional development.

We also support children in four specific areas, through which the three prime areas are strengthened and applied.

The specific areas are:

- literacy;
- mathematics;
- understanding the world;
- expressive arts and design.

Our school fully supports the principle that young children learn through play, and by engaging in well-planned structured activities. Teaching in the reception year provides a balance between planned/structured activities and child initiated activities.

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