

The 7 areas of learning – information for parents



Dear parents,

The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) is our statutory framework. It covers the period of your child's life from birth to the end of their reception year at school. The EYFS contains 3 sections –

- The safeguarding and welfare requirements.
- The assessment requirements – please see our Information Sheet 'The 2 Year Progress Check'.
- The learning and development requirements.

The 7 areas of learning are part of the learning and development requirements. We comply with the learning and development requirements by offering a wide range of carefully planned activities in a well-resourced environment, which help your child learn and develop and make the best possible progress. Our activities include daily indoor and outdoor play and regular outings.

The 7 areas of learning are separated into prime areas which are the most important for preparing your child for school and specific areas which are used to share information and knowledge –

The prime areas of learning:

- Communication and language
- Personal, social & emotional development
- Physical development

The specific areas of learning:

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding of the world
- Art and design

You can find out more about the 7 areas of learning, including ideas for supporting your child's learning at home, in our guidance which looks at each of the areas in detail.

If you have any questions about the 7 areas of learning, please ask. Thank you.