



EYFS/ Reception (Red Group)

All children in our Reception class (Red Group) develop knowledge and skills to support each individual child's development pathway from 'Development Matters' found in the statutory framework for Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) which sets standards for the learning and care of children from birth to 5 years old.

The EYFS is based upon four principles:

- A unique child
- Positive relationships
- Enabling environments
- Learning and development

The children are taught within the three prime areas of learning:

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Physical Development
- Communication and Language

The prime areas begin to develop quickly in response to relationships and experiences and run through and support learning in all other areas.

There are four specific areas of learning:

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design

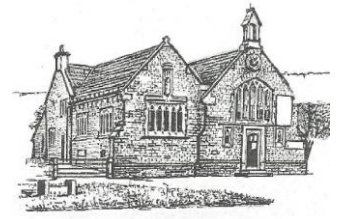
The specific areas include essential skills and knowledge. They grow out of the prime areas and provide important contexts for learning.

Characteristics of Effective Learning

The Characteristics of Effective Learning relate to the way in which an individual child engages with other people and their environment through playing and exploring, active learning, and creating and thinking critically. This underpins the learning and development across all areas and support the child to remain an effective and motivated learner.

Playing and exploring – engagement

- Finding out and exploring
- Playing with what they know
- Being willing to 'have a go'



Active learning – motivation

- Being involved and concentrating
- Keep trying
- Enjoying achieving what they set out to do

Creating and thinking critically – thinking

- Having their own ideas
- Making links
- Choosing ways to do things