

### EYFS Curriculum Overview of Topics

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
<b>2015-2016</b>	Marvellous Me	Traditional Tales	Pirates	Lifecycles	Minibeasts	Toys in the past
<b>2016-2017</b>	Marvellous Me	Julia Donaldson	Traditional Tales	Minibeasts	Lifecycles	Walking through the Jungle
<b>2017-2018</b>	Marvellous Me	Julia Donaldson/ Light and Dark	Traditional Tales	Minibeasts	Lifecycles	Children's interest

Children in Reception are provided with a stimulating learning environment which encourages learning through play – a fundamental part of early learning. We use the **Early Years Foundation Stage** to plan learning opportunities in the following areas.

Characteristics of Learning	Prime Areas	Specific Areas
<p><b>Playing and exploring: Engagement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finding out and exploring</li> <li>• Playing with what they know</li> <li>• Being willing to 'have a go'.</li> </ul> <p><b>Active learning: Motivation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Being involved and concentrating</li> <li>• Keeping on trying</li> <li>• Enjoying achieving what they set out to do</li> </ul> <p><b>Creating and thinking critically: Thinking</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Having their own ideas</li> <li>• Making links</li> <li>• Choosing ways to do things</li> </ul>	<p><b>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Making relationships</li> <li>• Self-confidence and self-awareness</li> <li>• Managing feelings and behaviour</li> </ul> <p><b>Physical Development</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moving and Handling</li> <li>• Health and Self Care</li> </ul> <p><b>Communication and Language</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Listening and Attention</li> <li>• Understanding</li> <li>• Speaking</li> </ul>	<p><b>Literacy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reading</li> <li>• Writing</li> </ul> <p><b>Mathematics</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number</li> <li>• Shape, Space and Measure</li> </ul> <p><b>Understanding of the World</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Peoples and Communities</li> <li>• The World</li> <li>• Technology</li> </ul> <p><b>Expressive Arts and Design</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exploring using media and materials</li> <li>• Being Imaginative</li> </ul>

### What is the Early Years Foundation Stage?

We use the 7 areas of learning to plan your child's learning and activities which will be suited to your child's unique needs. It is a curriculum suitable for very young children and is designed to be flexible so that we can follow your child's unique needs and interests. Children in the EYFS learn by playing and exploring, being active, and through creative and critical thinking which takes place both indoors and outdoors.