

Early Years Foundation Stage

EYFS practice and planning which is taken from 'Development Matters (April 2012) part of the 0-5 curriculum. Each area of the whole curriculum is considered and given the same importance as each other. The principle areas of learning are communication, physical development and personal and social development. The specific areas of learning are mathematics, literacy, understanding the world, expressive arts and design.

Children are born ready, able and eager to learn. They actively reach out to interact with other people, and in the world around them. Development is not an automatic process, however. It depends on each unique child having opportunities to interact in positive relationships and enabling environments.

The four themes of the EYFS underpin all the guidance. This document - Development Matters - shows how these themes, and the principles that inform them, work together for children in the EYFS.

