

The Seven Areas of Learning within our Playgroup

We have a carefully planned range of activities based around the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) which is intended to prepare children for when they transfer to reception class at their local school. We have listed below the seven areas of learning.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Prime Area - Within our Playgroup we provide opportunities for children to learn, to co-operate, share, and have consideration for other people, their cultures, beliefs and their emotions. We encourage independence to help children understand when to ask for help. We teach them to respect and care for one another as well as their environment. Young children are keen and curious to learn about themselves and others sometimes through role play, places of interest and the natural world.

Communication & Language

Prime Area - Your child will develop all aspects of language and sounds that will help them to become confident within their speaking ability, to express themselves, speak and listen in a range of situations.

Physical Development

Prime Area - In order to promote the healthy growth of children and their concentration span, regular activity is encouraged. Through practice they develop muscular control, co-ordination and awareness of others. They can use their judgement to solve problems and take part in physical activities. This helps build their self-confidence and help expand their imagination. We also support children in understanding the importance of physical activity, healthy choices and support them in self-care.

Understanding The World

Specific Area - Children have the urge to find out how things work so to help them do this we provide resources for them to make things, provide sand and water, Duplo, Stickle Bricks and many more for construction.

Mathematics

Specific Area - We provide children with activities and experiences that are part of everyday life for example matching shapes, tidying up, sorting, understanding shapes, colours, numbers, weighing and counting.

Expressive Arts & Design

Specific Area - Each day children are given opportunities to explore and play using a range of materials and resources to express their ideas, feelings and thoughts through a variety of art, music, movement, dance, imagination and role play activities.

Literacy

Specific Area - We provide a range of songs, fiction, non-fiction books and activities for children to access each day to support their development in early literacy skills. We encourage children to experiment with making marks and help them to begin to link sounds to letters. Our aim is to ensure that our children acquire these early literacy skills to prepare them for school.

