

The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

At St Nicholas infants school, children join in the year that they will reach the age of five, this is our Reception year and during this year they will complete their Early Years Foundation Stage of education.

The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) provides a wide range of opportunities to learn with a focus on seven areas of learning:

The three prime areas are:

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

The four specific areas of learning are:

- Literacy
- Mathematics,
- Expressive arts and design
- Understanding the world

Children in the EYFS learn by playing and exploring, being active, and through creative and critical thinking which takes place both indoors and outside.

At the end of the Reception year, the teacher records each child's development against early learning goals and this is called the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile (EYFSP).