



## Nursery & Reception Classes Skills Learning for Foundation Stage



### Skills Based Learning

In Foundation Stage we learn many skills which help us to become positive learners. Often our learning will be inspired by our favourite stories, seasonal changes and the things that interest us the most.

### Characteristics of Effective Learning

- Through *playing and exploring* we will learn to be engaged, to explore and discover. We will seek a challenge and learn by trial and error.
- With *active learning* we will be proud of our accomplishments, pay attention to details and keep on trying.
- We will start to become *creative and critical thinkers*, making links, solving problems, noticing patterns and similarities.

### Communication and Language

We will learn to express ourselves, follow instructions, ask questions and become respectful listeners.



### Reading and Writing

These are an integral part of all our areas of learning and alongside our systematic phonetic approach to reading (\*see reading statement) children will have constant opportunities to apply their new found skills in our enabling environments.

### Number

As well as our maths lessons, number and shape will run through all other areas of the Foundation Stage curriculum. We will focus on the meaning of numbers and mathematical language.

### Expressive Arts and Design

Through stories, music, dance, art and drama we will imitate, imagine, recreate and explore.

### Personal, Social, Emotional Development

With our friends we will learn to take turns, solve problems and develop an awareness of the feelings of others.

### Knowledge and Understanding of the World

Through Tapestry we will share special family times and our achievements from home and school.

We will have opportunities to explore the inside and outside environment across the Foundation Stage area and in the local environment.

We will look at how things work and use different ways to record our findings.

### Physical Development

We will learn the importance of being healthy and the need to stay safe. We will learn to become independent.

