

## What is the EYFS?

The EYFS is the statutory Early Years curriculum. This is mandatory for all schools, settings, and childminders to follow from birth up to the end of reception. The EYFS sets out our legal obligations regarding things like adult: child ratios, suitable people, safeguarding and welfare, staff qualifications, and learning and development.



## What does this mean at Old London Road Pre-school?

We observe children's play, development and interests and assess what they know and what we want them to learn through our curriculum. We plan activities that will teach children something new or help to embed the skills they are already mastering. All these things are done by using our understanding of child development and our knowledge of your child as an individual person.

- We will upload snapshots to Tapestry to share your child's learning experiences with you.
- There are several non-statutory guidance documents to help with this. We may use additional documents if they are of benefit to your child eg: IAELD or Wellcomm packs. Also working with both health and educational professionals.
- We complete 2 Year Progress Checks. This is a statutory progress check to be completed between 24 and 36 months.
- Should you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact Janet or Sarah.

| <b>Early Years Foundation Stage</b>   |
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| <b>Prime Areas</b>  |
| <i>Personal, Social, Emotional Development:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Self-Regulation</i></li><li>• <i>Managing Self</i></li><li>• <i>Building Relationships</i></li></ul> |
| <i>Communication and Language:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Listening, Attention and Understanding</i></li><li>• <i>Speaking</i></li></ul>                                    |
| <i>Physical Development:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Gross Motor Skills</i></li><li>• <i>Fine Motor Skills</i></li></ul>   |
| <b>Specific Areas</b>   |
| <i>Literacy:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Comprehension</i></li><li>• <i>Word Reading</i></li><li>• <i>Writing</i></li></ul>  |
| <i>Mathematics:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Number</i></li><li>• <i>Numerical Patterns</i></li></ul>   |
| <i>Understanding the World:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Past and Present</i></li><li>• <i>People, Culture and Communities</i></li><li>• <i>The Natural World</i></li></ul>   |
| <i>Expressive Arts and Design</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Creating with Materials</i></li><li>• <i>Being Imaginative and Expressive</i></li></ul>                            |

At Old London Road Preschool, we focus on learning the early skills that set children up to fulfil their potential. The learning we do at preschool is through quality, active play.

*"Teaching in the early years should not be taken to imply a "top down" or formal way of working. It is a broad term that covers the many ways in which adults help young children learn. It includes their interactions with children during planned and child-initiated play and activities. communicating and modelling language, showing, explaining, demonstrating, exploring ideas, encouraging, questioning, recalling, providing a narrative for what they are doing, facilitating, and setting challenges"- Ofsted.*