



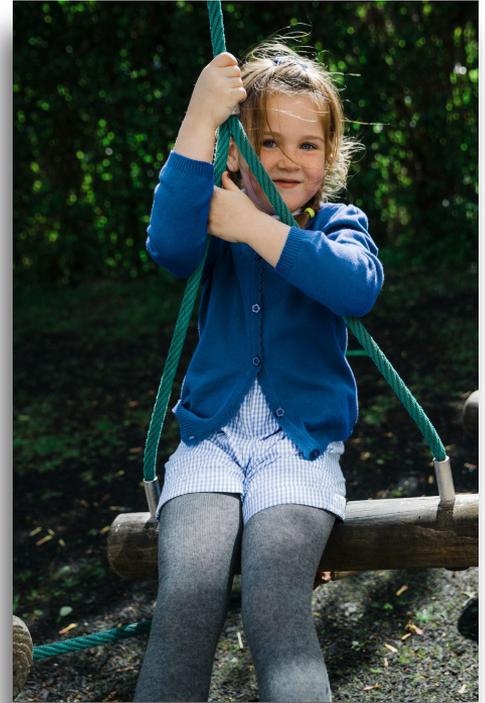
# EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE

Skills Progression at Parkland Infant School

# INTENT

**'Play is the highest form of research' - Albert Einstein**

At Parkland Infant School, we place great value on the development of children as individuals and providing them with the skills, knowledge and understanding they need as they grow. Our aim is to build strong foundations rooted in academic and social success so that children can go on to become positive, proactive citizens with a lifelong love of learning.



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Our curriculum is broad, engaging, exciting and develops a multitude of crucial skills. The Characteristics of Effective Teaching and Learning are delivered through a topic based curriculum, maximising opportunities for meaningful cross-curricular links and experiences. It also promotes the Unique Child by offering continuous provision and learning through play. As part of our EYFS, we pride ourselves in following the children's interests and ideas. We value creativity and imagination and seek to create a sense of enjoyment and fascination for learning through our vibrant indoor and outdoor environment. Trips, visits and regular interactions within our local community make Parkland a wonderful place to learn and grow. Our investment in specialist teachers for PE, Music and Computing means that children continually receive the highest quality of teaching possible.



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Community involvement is an essential part of our curriculum. We celebrate local traditions and learn many new skills to enable the children to take an active role in events throughout the year.

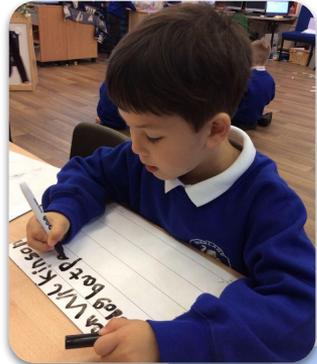
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## IMPLEMENTATION



Here at Parkland, we have a curriculum that is child-centred and based upon ‘wow’ experiences as well as topics that engage the children. We have an inclusive approach and all children learn together. Alongside this, we run a bespoke range of additional interventions to help scaffold learning for children who may need a little extra support to reach their potential or to enhance even further the opportunities available for children who are working above age related expectations.



All areas of the EYFS curriculum are followed and planned for to ensure there is a broad, balanced and progressive learning environment and curriculum. Our timetable is carefully structured so that children are taught Phonics, English and Maths on a daily basis. This is to ensure the mastery of key skills ready for Key Stage 1. After each session, there are opportunities for embedding learning through our continuous provision and group work. This is to consolidate children’s understanding, learn further and promote exploration skills.

# IMPACT

Talking to children, looking at their work, observing their learning experiences and engaging with them is an integral part of what we do. These all paint a clear picture of how each child is progressing and what their next steps should be.

Evidence of children's learning is documented on Tapestry (our online Assessment Tool). Parents can also contribute by sharing the learning that takes place at home. Our partnership with you as parents is essential and we work together from the moment your child secures a place with us. Evidence of learning is also presented in Topic Books so that we have a record of the progress made in all areas during each term.

During their time in our EYFS, children make rapid progress towards the National Age Related Expectations so that they can successfully transition into Year 1, ready for the next stage in their education. We believe our targeted observations, high expectations and the enriched play based exploration we provide are the keys to our successful Early Years provision. Our diverse and rich diet of balanced learning experiences, together with our passionate teaching team, enables us to develop the happy, curious and successful children that help make up our wonderful and unique school.



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