



Alpha Preschool

Early years foundation stage and Key person system

The early years foundation stage (EYFS) sets standards for the learning, development and care of your child from birth to 5 years old.

All schools and Ofsted-registered early years providers must follow the EYFS, including childminders, preschools, nurseries and school reception classes.

Areas of learning

Your child will mostly be taught through games and play.

The areas of learning are:

- communication and language
- physical development
- personal, social and emotional development
- literacy
- mathematics
- understanding the world
- expressive arts and design

Assessments

Your child's progress will be reviewed 3 times a year by their keyperson and Manager.

Special Educational Needs

Each child can progress at his or her own rate in all areas of development, and this is true for children with or without additional needs. We are experienced in working in close liaison with professionals across the range of special needs. If you would like to discuss the Preschools ability to meet your child's special needs, please talk to Paige our Special educational needs coordinator or your child's key person. Our full special educational needs policy can be seen anytime in setting.

Key Person System

Your child will be working with a chosen member of staff who will be known as their key person. They will ensure that the needs of your child will be recognised within the Pre-

School. They will be observing, keeping records, taking photographs, and monitoring the progress of your child, the results of which will be transferred onto record sheets and discussed with you 3 times year. When your child moves on to primary school, these records will be handed on to the school of your choice.

We use an online Learning Journey called 'Tapestry' this will keep track of observations and assessments on your child. You will have access to this via a password so you can view your child's learning journal at any time and add your own observations or special events too! Your child's key person will also be keeping a folder of your child's development in Pre-School. It will include samples of their work and any other assessment your child may need.

Learning together

Parents and staff have a lot to learn from each other. Together, we can help support and extend your child's learning and development. We pride ourselves on having a welcoming atmosphere, with approachable staff to create effective communication. The more you can tell us about your child, the better we can help extend their development.