



CURRICULUM

THE FOUNDATION STAGE CURRICULUM

In Reception, we follow the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS). The children will learn new

skills, acquire new knowledge and demonstrate understanding through the seven areas.

PRIME AREAS

Personal, social and emotional development, Physical Development and Communication and

Language.

SPECIFIC AREAS

Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding of the World, Expressive arts and design.

The prime areas run alongside and support learning in all other areas, so these are our

focused areas when the children start school.

LITERACY

READING

At Catmose Primary, we aim to equip pupils with the knowledge and understanding of how to be fluent readers who have the ability to read with prosody when they leave Y6. Our reading curriculum from EYFS to Y6, provides the teaching and application opportunities to guide pupils through each important step in their learning of how to read fluently.

In the Early Years, English is covered through all areas of learning but primarily taught through Communication and Language and Literacy and is a focus of daily interactions in the indoor and outdoor learning environments. This indoor and outdoor learning is continued into KS1.

In the Early Years and KS1, we lay the foundations to enable children to want to be successful readers and writers. We aim to make the learning in English as 'real' to the children as possible, as without a true purpose the children will not see the reason for reading and writing.

At Catmose Primary, we follow our own Systematic Synthetic Phonics (SSP) Programme, using Q Phonics actions and handwriting stories to ensure consistency in pupils' learning of Grapheme Phoneme Correspondences (GPCs). To see our

Phonics Progression document, please <u>click here</u>. In EYFS and KS1, pupils have daily Phonics lessons (which lead into spelling lessons in Year 2 and into KS2) following the same lesson structure of Review, Teach, Practise and Apply. Pupils are exposed to range of literature during English lessons, which are in addition to Phonics sessions.

Our colour banded reading books are from Badger Learning which ensures consistency in allocation to bands. Banded reading books in EYFS and KS1 link to the different phonics phases to ensure that pupils have the prior knowledge to be able to access to book independently.

Colour band	Emerging	Expected	Exceeding/ Confident	Super confident
Lilac (Phase 1)	Reception			
Pink A & B (Phase 2)		Reception		
Red A & B (Phase 3)	Y1	Reception		
Yellow (Phase 4)	Y1	Reception		
Blue (Phase 4)		Y1	Reception	
Green (Phase 5)	Y2	Y1	Reception	
Orange (Phase 5)	Y2	Y1		Reception

WRITING

Our writing curriculum is designed to develop fluent writers who can confidently share ideas and engage the readers. There are many aspects to writing that we ensure to give balance to throughout pupils' time at Catmose Primary.

In EYFS and KS1, through the teaching of phonics, pupils develop a good understanding of sounds that are applied to writing. Handwriting is practised from EYFS through Drawing Club activities.

Exciting and engaging stimuli are chosen for writing, often linked to the termly wider curriculum topics. This provides pupils with an enthusiasm to write and an opportunity to deepen and apply their learning from across the curriculum.

MATHS

The school uses the White Rose curriculum which ensures a clear sequence of lessons which allows for a return to key unites of work throughout the year (a spiral curriculum) Number is focused upon as the building block of early Mathematics.

BIG EXPERIENCES

Teaching and learning is linked to planned Big Experiences. These experiences require pupils to apply their learning, developing their knowledge and practice in skills. Our EYFS curriculum links to our primary curriculum drivers where appropriate. Please <u>click here</u> to see our EYFS Big Experiences and the associated learning.

RELATIONSHIPS EDUCATION

The School uses CWP for relationships education.

The themes taught and revisited during PSHE sessions are:

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,	and Learning Outcomes	· · · · ·		
Relationships Education Caring friendships 2a,2c) Health Education Mental wellbeing 6b,6c,6g)	Learning Intention To recognise the importance of friendship Learning Outcomes Know that friendships can make us feel happy Know some ways that we can make new friends feel welcome	Lesson 1 Caring Friendships	Elephant glove puppet or toy Pictures of children at school	
Relationships Education Caring friendships 2d) Health Education Mental wellbeing 6b,6c)	Learning Intention To recognise the importance of saying sorry and forgiveness Learning Outcomes Know that arguing with friends and then making up can make friendships stronger That resorting to violence is never right	Lesson 2 Being Kind	Elephant glove puppet or toy Picture of a crown and art materials to make crowns, i. paper or play-doh	
Relationships Education To recognise that all families are different Carring friendships (2a) Respectful relationships (3a) Learning Outcomes Identify different members of the family Understand how members of a family can help each other		Lesson 3 Families	Elephant glove puppet or toy The Family Book, Todd Parr Families pictures Paper and drawing materials	