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Dear Parents,

As you may already be aware, the DFE have introduced a new EYFS framework, commencing September 2021. The school became an early adopter of the new framework at the start of the last academic year, so our curriculum, planning and provision is fully compliant with the requirements of the new framework.

### **What does this mean for your child?**

All learning and wider experiences offered this year will follow the new EYFS framework; your child will work towards a final assessment at the end of the Reception year called the Early learning goals (ELGs). These goals are short statements against which your child is assessed by their teacher. These statements will be shared with you all at the first parents' evening. The seven main areas of learning in the EYFS are:

- \*Personal, Emotional and Social Development,
- \*Communication and Language,
- \*Physical Development,
- \*Literacy,
- \*Maths,
- \*Understanding of the world and
- \*Expressive arts and design

A significant improvement in the new framework, compared to the previous one is that there is less emphasis on recording and paperwork, meaning that all adults in the setting can spend more time engaging with your child and getting to know them well in every way; through quality interactions we will be able to assess their learning needs and plan to secure learning and progress. The new framework is also more aligned with the KS1 curriculum, further ensuring your child's educational journey from reception to KS1 is building upon previous knowledge.

### **Reception Baseline**

The reception baseline assessment (RBA) is a short, interactive and practical assessment of your child's early literacy, communication, language and mathematics skills when they begin school. It is undertaken by your child's class teacher working 1-1 with your child on specific activities and the outcomes form the baseline measure for your child's progress in primary school. The results are compiled by the Department for Education and are not shared with the school, the teachers or parents; the data will only be accessed by

the DFE. When your child reaches year 6, you will be able to see the progress your child has made throughout their school journey. If you wish to read further on the reception baseline, then you can find a useful parent booklet here;

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/reception-baseline-assessment-information-for-parents>

If you have any questions then please feel free to speak to a member of staff.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Mrs I Darby  
Early Years Lead Teacher



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