

Our Early Years Curriculum

The Early Years Curriculum creates opportunities for learning and development that are rich, stimulating and fulfilling.

Learning is developed through play, through practical experiences, through exploration and enquiry, through reflection and discussion. But most importantly through having fun in a safe and nurturing environment.

The Early Years curriculum is organised into seven areas of learning:

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Communication and Language
- Physical Development
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design

In the Foundation stage at St Bartholomew's Primary School, we follow a topic led curriculum, which is based on the children's motivation, interests and needs; this may be for a few days or even up to half a term. Whilst we do have a curriculum map, we like to be flexible and spontaneous and allow our learning journey to be led by the children's interests and motivations.

As we work together across the Foundation Stage here are the topics that we explore

Autumn 1	I wonder all about me
Autumn 2	I wonder all about celebrations and
	festivals.
Spring 1	I wonder all about Fairytales.
Spring 2	I wonderall about spring.
Summer 1	I wonderall about wheels wings and other
	things,
Summer 2	I wonderall about animals and growing.