



If we believe we will achieve



William Read Primary School and Nursery

Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

Information for children starting school in September 2021

The Early Years curriculum is split into Prime areas and Specific areas. The Prime areas are Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Physical Development and Communication and Language. The Specific areas are Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design.

In EYFS we create electronic 'Tapestry' learning journals which can be accessed and added to by parents. Parents have said... 'I really like the tapestry app, I can see what they've been learning in school and it's lovely to look at the photographs.'

Children in EYFS have the opportunity to take part in forest school sessions.

There is 'free flow access' for the children to the outdoor learning area.



At William Read we use Read, Write Inc to teach phonics and we use actions to help children remember the sounds. We will hold some information sessions during the autumn term to demonstrate how you can support your child with their early reading skills.

Phonics involves matching the sounds of spoken English with individual letters or groups of letters. Teaching children to blend the sounds of letters together helps them decode unfamiliar or unknown words by sounding them out.

Ofsted have previously said... 'William Read is a good school' 'The early years provision is good' 'Children achieve well in Reception'.

We hold regular sharing events such as reading afternoons, bedtime story sessions, festival sharing, class assemblies, concerts, PTA discos and much more!

Lots of our learning takes place outside and children have the opportunity to explore the world around them and we go on local walks and visits.

'Children settle quickly and are polite and collaborative learners who care for each other, resulting in harmonious working and play where children can feel safe. Behaviour is good.'

For new children starting at William Read we are offering two outdoor Stay and Play sessions in July, (depending on Government restrictions) we try to visit playgroups and nurseries, we will aim to complete home visits in September and we have a week of transition morning and afternoon sessions before children start in their class full time.

