

The Robert Drake Primary School Curriculum — Early Years Foundation Stage

The Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum gives a high priority to the seven areas of learning: these are broken down into Prime and Specific areas.

The Prime Areas are:

- Communication and language
- Physical development
- Personal, social and emotional development

The Specific Areas are:

- Literacy
- Maths
- Understanding the world
- Expressive arts and design

There is a great deal of emphasis on the three key characteristics of effective teaching and learning.

These are:

- Playing and exploring
- Active learning
- Creating and thinking critically

Much of the work is practical and investigative, children will be learning through a range of structured and play activities both inside and outside the classroom. The children will be encouraged to use an independent approach to all activities.

Learning is approached in topic based units including, New Beginnings, Superheroes, Frozen, Traditional Tales, Woodland Adventures and Beside the Sea.



