

At Ash Grove we are passionate about providing the best possible start to every child's education. We ensure that our EYFS provision gives children a solid foundation from which to build and is key to ensuring that all children develop positive learning behaviours; that they become curious, active and creative in their thinking; that they are confident to engage in their learning and proud of their achievements. It is our intent that all of our children leave the foundation stage with the skills, attitudes and attributes that they need to continue their learning journey into Key Stage One.

As a result, we have a carefully planned, multi layered approach to the children's learning experience to ensure that their learning is playful, rigorous and embedded. A strong focus on oracy, use of high quality texts linked to the children's interests and experiences, a wide range of opportunities to learn about the world around them at local, national and global level, alongside the discrete teaching of phonics, reading, writing and maths gives the children solid foundations for the next stage of their education. Our curriculum builds on prior learning and knowledge and takes into account the children's cultural capital. Rigorous assessment systems ensure that every child's successes are celebrated and next steps are identified and carefully planned for.

Our Early Years staff are dedicated to providing an environment that supports every child's personal, social and emotional development, so that they feel safe and secure and able to learn. Staff relationships and interactions with the children are of a high quality so that children's learning is modelled and scaffolded and so facilitates their executive functioning skills.

We know that parents and carers are a child's first educators and because of this, we are dedicated to building firm, supportive and reciprocal relationships so that we can work together to ensure that all of our children reach their full potential.