



North Clifton Primary School Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum - September 2023



In EYFS at North Clifton Primary School, we provide the ideal start for a child to develop their confidence as a fun loving, motivated and independent learner, within a safe, caring and nurturing environment.

Our child-centred approach aims to support each child to develop holistically and at their own pace. We provide an enabling environment, promoting communication and language skills, whilst ensuring that learning is engaging and enjoyable. Learning happens through investigation, exploring and immersive, hands-on experiences, indoors and outdoors.

Our school's core values: **Respect, Responsibility, Resilience** are firmly embedded in our daily routine; as we encourage the children to respect other people and their environment, to take responsibility for their actions and behaviour in school, to set ambitious goals that they want to achieve and to develop the resilience to believe they can do it and then celebrate their success together when they achieve it.

We follow the overarching principles stated in the Statutory Framework for the EYFS (September 2023). These are:

- Every child is a **unique child**, who is constantly learning and can be resilient, capable, confident and self-assured
- Children can be strong and independent through **positive relationships**
- Children learn and develop well in **enabling environments with teaching and support from adults**, who respond to their individual interests and needs and help them to build their learning over time. Children can benefit from a strong partnership between practitioners and parents and/or carers.
- Importance of **learning and development**. Children can learn and develop at different rates. The framework covers the education and care of all children in early years provision, including children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

Our curriculum has been designed by planning carefully thought out skills and knowledge to meet the needs of the children at North Clifton Primary School for all of the 7 areas of learning. We used the EYFS framework and Development Matters to give us a base for our learning and then considered other knowledge and skills based on research that we know are important for our children to plan an ambitious and exciting curriculum to ensure our pupils are engaged and enjoy learning and therefore make great progress.

Our curriculum allows children to develop and learn knowledge and skills in the following areas.

Prime areas:

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

Specific areas:

- Literacy
- Maths
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Art and Design