St Bartholomew's Reception Unit



Welcome to our Reception Unit

We are St Bartholomew's EYFS. Give your child a fantastic start where awe and wonder awaits! At St Bartholomew's we provide an exciting, stimulating and engaging curriculum filled with first hand experiences. We will extend your child's knowledge through structured activiites and play whilst caring for your child and making sure they are happy! Three indoor learning environments, a sensory room and two exciting outdoor play areas make our Early Years Foundation Stage an exciting and fun place to be! Now registering for 2022.

Reading

Reading is fun in our literacy environment. We have lots of stories, topic books and reading books to explore. Story sessions, puppets, figures, small world trays, masks and outfits bring stories to life.



At reading time we read with the teacher. We also take part in phonic and comprehension activities and group and class games.

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At St Bartholomew's we assess the children through observations and through specific tasks.

We have an online assessment tool called 'Learning Journals'.

This makes it easy for parents to see what their children have been doing at school and see photographs and videos of their child in the learning environment.

Opportunities for your child to interact with their peers and use their imagination are all around. We provide core learning opportunities and also follow the interests of the children when planning our exciting curriculum.



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Outside

Our outdoor area is a fun place to be! We use tyres, balance beams, den building equipment, logs, crates and drapes, bikes, buckets and balances, drainpipes and lots of other equipment to make it fun to be outside!



There are four exciting sheds with lots of fun things inside them. A reading shed, writing shed, maths shed and a relax shed.





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Areas of Provision



Phonics is something that we do every day at St Bartholomew's. Reading and phonics have high priority and a lot of our reading books are based around segmenting and blending sounds. Every room has a phonics area and activities help the children to embed their knowledge and the sounds of the week.

A daily phonics session with the teacher introduces children to new letter sounds (phonemes) and how they are represented in writing (graphemes) The children enjoy the fun phonics activities and games to help them to remember the new sounds. One of our indoor environments enables the children to take part in creative activities, role play and science based activities.

There is lots of fun to be had with creative role play, an exciting home corner, small world activities, painting, water play and collage and other creative activities provide lots of fun and learning opportunities . We also enjoy lots of music making activities and have writing resources in all of our areas of provision.



In our Literacy room, opportunities to learn about reading and writing are everywhere! Mark making equipment and a role play office make writing fun! Teacher led sessions and focus literacy tasks help the children to develop their literacy skills.

Speaking and listening opportunities are provided throughout the environment and through interactions with adults and peers.

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Maths and English Areas

Our Maths room has lots of maths resources and many activities for the children to complete, Construction and small world resources are plentiful, there are lots of fun maths games to play. An ICT area provides exploration and excitement. Teacher led maths sessions and specific



focus tasks help the children to extend and embed their knowledge of mathematics.





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