

# Kirkby on Bain Church of England Primary School

## *Learning together for life*

### Early Years Foundation Stage



Your child's first year in school is very important as it is here that independence, confidence and eagerness to learn; the foundations of future success, begin to develop. Learning in this key stage takes place during play and practical activities based on the seven areas of learning and development. All areas of learning and development are important and interconnected. Three areas are particularly crucial for igniting children's curiosity and enthusiasm for learning, and for building their capacity to learn, form relationships and thrive.

These three areas, the *prime* areas, are:

- communication and language;
- physical development and
- personal, social and emotional development.



Children are also supported in four *specific* areas, through which the three prime areas are strengthened and applied. The specific areas are:

- literacy;
- mathematics;
- understanding the world; and
- expressive arts and design.

Children spend their first full year in our purpose built reception classroom in a small class of children. They have access to a spacious outdoor learning area where much of their learning will take place.

EYFS staff assess the children throughout the year mostly by observing them whilst engaged in child-initiated play. We would encourage you to discuss your child's progress with the EYFS staff on a regular basis.



**Hope**

**Peace**

**Friendship**

**Forgiveness**

**Respect**