# Belton C of E Primary School Foundation Stage











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# Foundation Stage Curriculum

# Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We encourage our children to be confident independent learners and foster a 'can do' attitude. We encourage our children to keep on trying and enjoy achieving what they set out to do. We nurture children in our school so that all children can reach their potential.

#### Communication and Language

We provide lots of activities that promote language. We encourage children to talk through their ideas and clarify their thoughts. We develop careful listening in a range of situations.



### **Physical Development**

The children have daily opportunities to use the outdoors, play on bikes, build dens, dig and climb! We also have daily opportunities to develop fine motor skills which helps us with writing skills and co-ordination. We use the hall for PE sessions and also the field and grounds.

#### Literacy

We aim to foster a life-long love of books and reading. Children have a daily phonics session once they start school to help them learn to read. We offer the children daily activities to practise and apply their phonic skills in reading and writing.

#### Mathematics

Children learn about numbers and their patterns, shape and space through play and structured activities both indoors and outdoors. We encourage practical problem solving to promote a sound foundation in Mathematics.

# Understanding the World



We use the children's interest to steer the focus topic. For example Ourselves, Transport and Growing. We encourage the children to explore the environment both indoors and outdoors. We have close links to the church. We walk round the village and visit the church and recreation ground. Children have the opportunity to use technology daily.

#### Expressive Arts and Design

We encourage exploration of colour, shape, texture and sound. We encourage the children to be imaginative in art, dance and music. Our role play areas are places where children can let their imaginations go!



#### Starting School

We offer a number of visits before starting school so that you can meet the staff and the children can become familiar with the school environment. We have close links with feeder settings and will visit children, where possible, at their preschools before they start school.



#### Parents

We value our partnership with you as parents and we will work closely with you. We encourage parents to contribute to their child's learning journey. We offer workshops for reading and phonics. We have an active parents' group called Friends of Belton School (FOBS) who raise money to support the school and are always happy to welcome new members. We also have stay and play sessions giving you the opportunity to come in and play with your child.