

## Early Foundation Stage Years Curriculum Intent Statement

At Thames View Primary School we are committed to giving our children the best possible start to their school life, ensuring their well-being and teaching them the skills necessary, to be successful now and in the future.

Our curriculum is underpinned by the EYFS framework and ensures that children develop in all 17 areas of learning. We provide an exciting and motivating curriculum based on the children's interests, needs and wants, that encompasses both the indoors and outdoors.

In order to implement this curriculum, we provide a high-quality learning environment, where children feel confident, happy and safe, using their curiosity and independence to explore and investigate. Practitioners build strong and positive relationships with the children, scaffolding their learning and moving it forward.

At Thames View, 'Building Learning Power' is a whole school initiative. This interlinks with the EYFS Characteristics of Effective Learning. Through this, we empower children to become better learners, for example developing the skills of listening, independence, resilience, motivation and creativity.

Our partnership between Parents and Carers is a key element of the progress that children make during their time with us in the EYFS. We value our Parents and Carers opinions and seek this through home visits, communication slips, reading record books, daily conversations, parent's evenings and parent workshops. We encourage interactions via Tapestry (children's online learning journal), these are a valuable insight into the children's learning at home.

