

Spot Light on

Early Years Education



At Ranelagh Primary School our motto is `Be the Best You Can Be' and this value is the foundation of everything we do. We strive to provide an environment and curriculum that underpins our ethos and our 5R values – Respectful, Resilient, Remarkable, Responsible and Right Choices.

Our Early Years Team is committed to providing children with the best possible start to school life, providing children opportunities to follow their interests to ensure future success. We strive to ensure our children are happy, enthusiastic and confident learners with aspirations to excel in whatever they choose to do.

Our Early Years provision provides a solid foundation on which to expand and foster a deep love of learning in a safe, stimulating learning environment that builds on each individual's needs and interests. We believe in developing independence within a secure and friendly atmosphere that promotes equality of opportunity, respect for cultural and religious diversity and good self esteem.



Learning opportunities are fun, engaging and suitably challenging within our curriculum which encompasses play-based activities alongside aspects of adult-directed teaching and learning opportunities. They have opportunities through their play to think creatively and critically alongside other children as well as on their own. They are able to practise skills, build upon and revisit prior learning and experience at their own level and pace. The children learn to adapt, negotiate, communicate, discuss, investigate and ask questions.

Our stimulating learning environments, both inside and outside, provide children with a variety of resources to discover and explore through child-initiated play. Our classrooms are accessible to all, allowing children to gain independence whilst exploring and learning safely. The immersive learning environments are highly stimulating and provide opportunities to develop crucial social, emotional and communication skills. We value the importance of outdoor learning and believe that it should provide children with opportunities to develop their thinking and problem solving skills. We aim to replicate real-life learning experiences and provide practical, first hand learning opportunities to enhance children's knowledge and understanding of the world around them. Parent and carer partnership is a key factor in the progress that children make during their time in the Early Years. We value parent communication to achieve the full picture of each individual child's development and learning journey.

