

Early Years Curriculum Personal, Social and Emotional Development



What does Personal, Social and Emotional Development look like in Early Years at Humshaugh C of E First School?

At Humshaugh C of E First School, we know the importance of Personal Social and Emotional Development. Our approach to developing children's personal, social and emotional development is deeply rooted in our Christian vision for our school to be good soil so that everyone can grow and flourish. The Christian values of acceptance, kindness, forgiveness and reconciliation are inherent in our approach to developing children's interaction with others. Our starting point is that children (and their parents and carers) need to know that they are secure and safe in our care. We believe that happy, confident children are children who are ready to learn. Adults spend time getting to know each child individually to develop positive relationships with them. We show the children how to cooperate with each other and develop friendships. We talk about our different emotions and provide strategies for the children to express and manage them. We support children to have a positive view of themselves and their abilities. As they become more familiar with routines we see their confidence grow and that willingness to try new things increase. The staff support the children's learning allowing them to engage in activities that they may feel are initially tricky or scary. Praise is given specifically for 'being brave', 'having a go by themselves' and for 'keeping on trying'. We also teach children specific skills such as how to look after their own bodies and healthy eating as well as developing independence with personal needs. They are shown the importance of being kind and caring towards others and they gain an understanding of different religions and cultures.

Our 2-Year-old Nursery children are supported by their key worker or other familiar adult in their play and exploration as well as with their personal needs. The children learn to take turns, share resources and make choices. We introduce them to simple routines and support them with transition times. We help them to grow in independence and confidence by encouraging them to try things for themselves as well as being there for things they may find a little trickier. Lots of praise and encouragement is given in a nurturing environment where all children are listened to and valued and where the children are introduced to our 'Reach the Stars' reward system. The system is used throughout school where names are moved up to reward kindness, independence, perseverance or learning a new skill. We also help our 2-year-old children to start to understand and tolerate the boundaries necessary in Early Years to keep everyone safe and happy in Nursery. We help children to recognise their emotions and find ways of managing them.

Our 3-4-year-old Nursery children continue to be supported to share and take turns as well as developing their concentration on activities that are interesting to them. They learn to use sand timers to help them to take turns with resources. We spend time talking about their own feelings and how other people might be feeling and show them how to find solutions to problems. We use examples from familiar stories to help them understand how different characters may be feeling. Within our EYFS setting, Nursery children learn to follow our 5 Golden Rules, accept boundaries and routines and show an understanding of why these are important. They are included in our 'Reach the Stars' Reward System, 'Star of the Day' stickers and daily 'Kindness stickers'. A Nursery 'Star of the Week' is chosen for following our focus Golden Rule each week and their success is celebrated in collective worship. We encourage them to listen and contribute within small and larger groups to develop their social and language skills. We show the children how to make good choices and help them to develop their confidence and independence skills with plenty of opportunities to play and interact with their older peers.

In Reception children develop their friendships and are helped to build kind and caring relationships with others. We encourage positive interactions and discuss their own feelings and those of others. We help children to express themselves and give them strategies for dealing with different situations. We have high expectations of children's behaviour, whilst supporting children when they are finding things difficult. By Reception, children are fully involved in our 'Reach the Stars' Reward system: they begin to move their own names up when an adult has praised them and can also recommend their peers for 'being moved up' the chart for being 'kind and helpful.' They are encouraged to follow all of our '5 Golden Rules' as well as to understand what the opposite of these rules looks like e.g. 'We listen- so we don't interrupt people'. They learn to accept the boundaries in Early Years to keep everyone safe and happy including the consequences of having their names moved down to 'red' (parent contact and a short 'time out' from playtime). One Reception child is chosen each week to be our 'Star of the Week' for following one of our Golden rules and gets a 'light up' star to put on their table in front of them all week and another is chosen for a kindness award, getting a 'light up' heart to have on their table for a week. Children also take turns to work together as a pair of 'Helping Hands' for a week at a time. Activities are planned to encourage children to persevere and show their resilience when things are challenging. This enables them to take risks in a safe way and not to give up. We share the joy when children have overcome a difficulty and are proud of themselves, knowing that they have done well. Children are taught to manage their own personal needs and develop an understanding of how to keep healthy.

EYFS-Humshaugh C of E First School's Curriculum-Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Yr group	Skills	Knowledge	Vocabulary	Resources/Books
2 Year olds	Separate from parents/carers.	Know that parents need to go while they play in nursery.	home, nursery, bye-bye, work, later	Stories and props to talk about starting nursery, friendships, emotions
	Recognises and responds to one or more of our nursery staff.	Begin to recognise key worker or other members of nursery staff.	names of staff	e.g. Starting Playgroup
	Follow familiar routines with some support from an adult.	Begin to know the routines.	wash hands, bathroom, snack,	What I like about me
	Begin to seek out others for help.	Know that familiar adults can provide help or reassurance.	register, good morning, story,	It's ok to be different
	Ask a familiar adult for help using words or	Know that we can request help with	help, mend, fix, find	Goodnight Moon Owl Babies
	actions.	something that is tricky.		Snow Bear
	Express preferences and make choices.	Recognise familiar resources or materials in nursery and remember	choose, want, play with	We're going on a Bear Hunt
	Try new things.	how to use them	try, new	My Friend Bear Rosie's Walk
	Explore the environment both inside and outside.	Have curiosity about new places and things	find, found, look, see, feel, hear, smell, taste, classroom, outside, our yard, big yard, sand, water, bikes, playdough, home corner,	Fiction and Non-fiction library books
	Play with increasing confidence.	Know I am a part of this group. Know where to access preferred resources	reading corner, workshop, bathroom 'nursery children', '2 year olds'.	Traditional Tales Photo choose boards

Take off some items of clothing themselves Be able to put on their own coat, hat or wellies on.	Know how to remove coat, hat, socks, shoes etc Know how to put their coat, hat or wellies on.	coat, hood, zip, fasten, hat, socks, shoes, wellies, put on, take off
Play ready steady go games.	Can wait for short periods during an interactive game with an adult	Ready, steady, go
Wait their turn with adult support.	Know that sometimes we have to wait.	wait, turn, one minute
Respond to 'stop' or 'no' from an adult for safety reasons.	Know that sometimes we need to stop doing something,	stop, no, last turn, finished, all gone
Share resources with adult support.	Aware of other children in the setting. Know that all the resources are not theirs.	share, mine, yours, our,
Show/talk about emotions.		sad, happy, grumpy, worried, tired.
Respond to the feelings of others.	Begin to recognise some of peers	names of other familiar children friend, kind, share, play
Show an interest in other children and join in.		
Start to develop friendships. Share some experiences or information from home	Talk about themselves and their families, starting to notice some similarities and differences	house, family, mum, dad, brother, sister, gran, grandpa, big, small, man, woman, boy, girl, siblings names, pet names.
Take part in an adult directed task for a short period of time.	Know that adults in nursery are fun to interact with.	come with me, sit down, copy, look, listen, find,

	Respond well to praise.	Aware that social rewards feel good	good, well done, star, kind, helpful	
	Put away resources with some adult support at tidy up time.	Knows where some resources go and matches some resources to picture labels. Knows how to follow some adult instructions.	help, tidy, put in, box, basket, match	Photo labels, shadow place markers
	Start to indicate to adult if they are wet or soiled. Start to sit on the toilet or potty. Wash hands with adult support.	Aware that they are wet or soiled Know that we need to wash hands before snack and after the toilet.	wet, dirty, poo, wee. nappy, change. toilet, potty, wash, dry hands, tap, water, soap.	
	Begin to develop Characteristics of Effective Learning.			
Nursery 3-4 yrs	Confident to leave parent/carer.	Understand our rules and routines. Know I am a part of this group.	kind, helpful, listen, gentle, tell the truth, play, work, job, snack time, story, collective worship, register, lunchtime, home time, outdoor play indoor play, PE,	See 1decision Early Years overview for dilemma drops relating to all areas of PSED
	Select activities and resources.	Know where to access preferred resources and know how to use them appropriately.	names of areas and key resources in the classroom and EYFS yard	Golden Rules 'Reach the Stars' Reward Chart. Star of the Day stickers
	Make independent choices.			Daily kindness stickers Star of the Week award.
	Develop a sense of responsibility e.g. helping to tidy up/ washing up paint pots/ helping at snack time.	Know that they can do things to help others.	helpful	Mirrors Photographs Books about feelings e.g.
	Become more confident with new people and new situations.	Know that they are safe and valued at nursery.	brave	What I like about me
		Knows how to listen to and follow a		It's ok to be different

Join in with an adult directed activity for a short time.	range of adult instructions, when their attention is gained first.	Sit down, carpet, table, job	Elmer
Take turns in a small group.	Knows how to listen and respond to peers and wait for a turn.	Listen, wait, turn, share	Goodnight Moon
3 - 2 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1	Know that they have to wait their turn.		Owl Babies
Play with other children, extending ideas.	Know how to start conversations and	friend, play, game	Snow Bear
Form friendships.	take turns in them.		The Snowman
Initiate interactions using talk.	Knows how to use a range of vocabulary and different sentence structures.		We're going on a Bear Hunt
Readily share s experiences or information from	Talk about themselves and their	family, home, same, different	My Friend Bear
home	families, noticing similarities and differences with others.	ranniy, nome, same, unicient	Once There Were Giants
	Knows that we should use words, not	hurt, upset,	Winnie the Witch
Find solutions to conflicts with adult support.	actions. Knows to tell a teacher if someone has		The Growing Story
Talk about their own feelings.	upset them.	Happy, sad, cross, angry, worried,	Room on the Broom.
Begin to understand how other people may be	Aware of own feelings Know some feelings vocabulary	scared/frightened, tired, hungry, shocked, brave	Giraffes can't dance
feeling and respond to these feelings.	Identify feelings of others		The Selfish Crocodile
Talk to adults and other children and enjoy spending time with them.	Know how to use talk to ask for things and to play with others.		The Barefoot Books Children of the World (non-fiction)
Regularly seek out others for help.	Knows how to ask for help using words.	help, please, thank you	Rosie's Walk (USA)
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				The Great Race (Chinese new Year) Les Couleurs d'Elmer The Rainbow fish
				Non-fiction library books
				Traditional Tales
	Develop Characteristics of Effective Learning			Pictures/ books/photographs.
				Characteristics of Effective Learning stickers.
Reception	Form good relationships with adults and peers.	Understand and follow the class and school rules and routines.	kind, helpful, listen, gentle, honest, look after, play, work, job, Snack time, Story, Collective Worship, Register, Phonics, Maths, Reading, Writing, Lunchtime, home time, outdoor play indoor play, PE, PSHE, Computing, Music, Art & Design, Understanding the World, R.E.	See 1decision Early Years overview for dilemma drops relating to all areas of PSED Golden Rules 'Reach the Stars' Reward Chart. Star of the Day stickers Daily kindness stickers Star of the Week award.
	Listen to and play with others.	Know that it is important to listen, share and be kind to others. Know that we are all individuals, but we are part of the same class/school.	Reception, Class 1, Humshaugh First School	Kindness award Visual Timetable Non-fiction books about feelings, friendships and taking care of our bodies

Take turns in conversation.			Class mantras: 'Caring is
			sharing', 'Team work
Know how to ask for help when nee	eded.	Help, Please, Thank You	makes the dream work' and 'failure is learning'.
Talk about likes and dislikes.		Feelings vocabulary: happy, sad,	
Talk about their own feelings and co	onsider how	cross, upset, angry, worried, tired,	
others may be feelings.		hungry, thirsty, scared, frightened,	
		shy, surprised, disappointed, brave	It's ok to be different
		like/ don't like, care, sorry, forgive	Starting School
Take turns in small and increasingly	larger Know how to put hand up and wait for		What I like about me
groups.	a turn to speak.		It's ok to be different
	Know to be quiet and listen when		Goodnight Moon
	teacher or peers talking		Once There Were Giants
Play games with simple rules.		Rules, fair, cheat, win, lose	Owl Babies
			Winnie the Witch
	Understand that games have rules.		The Growing Story
			Room on the Broom.
			Giraffes can't dance
Talk about their family and culture	and other Know how to follow simple rules.		The Selfish Crocodile
people in their world.	Know that we can't win every time.		The Barefoot Books
			Children of the World
	Know that we are all different and		(non-fiction)
	that's ok?	Same, similar, different	
	Know who is in their family and that		
	some families are different to theirs.		Stories Jesus Told
			(Christian)
	Know that Christians and Jewish		Everybody says Shalom
	people believe we are all special to		(Jewish)
	God so we should care for each other	See RE Curriculum	Golden Domes and
	Know not all people believe in the	God, believe, worship	Silver Lanterns (Islamic)
	same things.	different, same, similar	Rama and Sita (Hindu)
	Know that Christians, Jewish people		
	and Muslims worship God in different		
	ways.		
	Know about some traditions/ food etc.		
	from different countries and cultures.	See Topics for names of countries,	

Manage their own needs.	Know and talk about healthy foods Understand why we need good hygiene and exercise and rest to keep our bodies healthy	food and traditions Healthy, unhealthy, sugar, sweet, savoury, fruit, vegetables, exercise, clean, wash, teeth, toothbrush, dentist, doctor, nurse	Early Years Non-fiction Library books
Using stories and scenarios and be able to think about the perspective of others.	Know that people's thoughts and feelings can be different from their own.	Think, feel	1decision 'dilemma drops' used as necessary to help address current issues in Early Years.
Show resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge.	Know that some things may not be perfect the first time, and they may have to try again. Know that we all make mistakes.	blip, mistake, muddle, accident, accidently, on purpose, keep trying, sort it out	The Rainbow fish Elmer Traditional tales- how did baby bear feel? What was the wolf like in
Set their own goals.	Know how to make a plan, carry it out and review how it went	Plan, do, review, what went well, what I could do even better.	Little Red Riding Hood? Non-fiction library books
Develop the Characteristics of Effective Learning.			Characteristics of Effective Learning stickers.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development ELGs

Self-Regulation ELG

Children at the expected level of development will: -

- Show an understanding of their own feelings and those of others, and begin to regulate their behaviour accordingly;
- Set and work towards simple goals, being able to wait for what they want and control their immediate impulses when appropriate;

• Give focused attention to what the teacher says, responding appropriately even when engaged in activity, and show an ability to follow instructions involving several ideas or actions.

Managing Self ELG

Children at the expected level of development will:

- Be confident to try new activities and show independence, resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge;
- Explain the reasons for rules; know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly;
- Manage their own basic hygiene and personal needs, including dressing, going to the toilet and understanding the importance of healthy food choices.

Building Relationships ELG

Children at the expected level of development will:

- Work and play cooperatively and take turns with others;
- Form positive attachments to adults and friendships with peers;
- Show sensitivity to their own and to others' needs.