



# EYFS at Ellel St John's C of E Primary School

## □ Intent (Curriculum) – What We Aim For

- Early experiences shape lifelong learning and development.
- Strong relationships with children and families underpin everything we do.
- We build our curriculum around children's interests and starting points.
- Rich indoor and outdoor provision supports exploration and deep learning.
- All children are supported to achieve the Early Learning Goals.
- We ensure good or better progress for every child.
- Children leave EYFS confident, capable and ready for Key Stage 1.

## □ Implementation (Teaching) – How We Teach

- We follow Development Matters across all Prime and Specific areas.
- Vocabulary and communication are central to our teaching.
- We use the Characteristics of Effective Learning to guide planning.
- A balance of child led play and adult led learning keeps children motivated.
- Provision encourages curiosity, independence and problem solving.
- Observations track progress and next steps.
- Strong home-school links: open door approach, meetings and Shining Light slips.
- Our environment is flexible and responsive to children's interests.

## □ Impact (Achievement) – What We Achieve

- Children make good or better progress from their starting points.
- Those achieving the ELGs are well prepared for KS1 and beyond.
- We support smooth transition through strong communication with KS1 staff.
- Regular internal and external moderation ensures accurate assessment.
- Half termly data and ongoing observations help us monitor and plan effectively.
- We identify next steps quickly so every child continues to thrive.