



# The Dell Out of School Club

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## Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) policy

Early Years Foundation stage is how the Government and early years professionals describe the time in each child's life between birth and age 5. The Dell offers childcare provision to support children from 3 -5 years and beyond. The Dell has a duty to support the Early Years Children and the professionals and parents involved in that child's development.

This policy describes how the Dell encompasses the EYFS in our setting.

### What is the EYFS Framework?

The EYFS Framework exists to support all professionals working in early years to help your child, and was developed with a number of early experts and parents. In 2014 the framework was revised to make it clearer and easier to use, with more focus on the things that matter most. This revised framework also has a greater emphasis within our setting on help each child develop within a play environment. The Framework included;-

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- The legal welfare requirements that everyone registered to look after children must follow to keep children **safe** and promote their welfare
- Key workers are to be assigned to help the children settle and monitor their progress and welfare. And also to aid communication and feedback with parents and school
- Expected levels that each child should reach at age 5, usually the end of the reception year; these expectations are called the "**Early Learning Goals (ELGs)**"
- *Nb As of March 2014 Out of school clubs are no longer required to meet the EYFS learning and development requirements. This means that there will be no requirement to deliver the EYFS "curriculum" or observe and assess the EYFS children. However each child will be assigned a key person with which to discuss with parents about their child's progress*

### What does it mean for parents?

#### ✓ **Ensuring my child's safety**

Much thought has been given to making sure that your child is as safe as possible. Within the EYFS there is a set of welfare standards that everyone must follow. These include the numbers of staff to child ratio and things like administering medicines and carrying out risk assessments and safeguarding children's welfare. These are covered in our Dell policies.

#### ✓ **Quality**

You can find out about the quality of our provision in relation to the EYFS Framework by checking what the Government's official inspection body Ofsted has to say. You can find this information at [www.ofsted.gov.uk/inspection-reports/find-inspection-report](http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/inspection-reports/find-inspection-report).

#### ✓ **How my child will be learning**

The EYFS Framework explains how and what your child will be learning to support their healthy development. Within the playwork setting they will continue to develop skills learnt within school but within a recreational setting - ie communication and language, physical development and personal social and emotional development, literacy, maths, art and design and understanding the world.

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Children learn by playing and exploring, being active, and through creative and critical thinking which takes place both indoors and outside. And whilst some play activities are structured to help the above most activities are child initiated. We like to think that our setting caters for every child's unique needs & interests.

### How can I find out how my child is getting on?

It is important that parents and the professionals caring for children work together. This may be around exchanging information and discussing things that will benefit your child. These conversations should be with your child's "**key person**". is your main point of contact within the setting; they should help your child to become settled, happy and safe; Are responsible for your child's care, development and learning.

### How Does the Dell support the EYFS

- Staff will have a basic regard of EYFS when planning opportunities. We plan and organise activities to ensure that every child receives an enjoyable and challenging learning and development experience that is tailored to meet their individual needs.
- The Dell will continue to provide an inclusive service to all children and families attending the setting.
- Each child will have a named key worker and each child's progress can be observed through use of a learning journal or log which includes examples of the child's work observations done by the key worker and WOW moments etc.
- To facilitate all of the play principals and continue to ensure that all children can choose freely their play choices.
- The Dell is aware that a key element of the EYFS framework is information sharing and communication between the child, Dell staff, school and in particular parents/carers.

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