

**Literacy Development** involves encouraging children to link sounds and letters and to begin to read and write. Children must be given access to a wide range of reading materials (books, poems and other written materials) to ignite their interest.

**Literacy Development** is made up of these aspects

- Reading
- Writing

**Mathematics** involves providing children with opportunities to develop and improve their skills in counting, understanding and using numbers, calculating simple addition and subtraction problems; and to describe shapes, spaces and measures.

This area supports children's understanding in different situations by providing opportunities to explore, practice, learn and talk. They practice skills and gain confidence and competence. To give children the best opportunities through Positive Relationships children use mathematical words and ideas in their play. Enabling Environments have resources for counting, calculating and shape available indoors and outdoors. In Learning and Development, stories, songs and imaginative play help with mathematical understanding.

**Mathematics** is made up of these aspects:

- Numbers
- Shape, Space and Measures

**Understanding the World** involves guiding children to make sense of their physical world and their community through opportunities to explore, observe and find out about people, places, technology and the environment.

This area offers children opportunities to explore and observe the environment, living things and objects. To give children the best opportunities through Positive Relationships, parents and carers knowledge extend children's experiences of the world. In Enabling Environments, open-ended questions like, "How can we..?" and "What would happen if...?" are used. Learning and Development is based on first-hand experiences to observe, predict, make decisions and discuss.

**Understanding the World** is made up of these aspects:

- People and Communities
- The World
- Technology

**Expressive Arts and Design** involves enabling children to explore and play with a wide range of media and materials, as well as providing opportunities and encouragement for sharing their thoughts, ideas and feelings through a variety of activities in art, music, movement, dance, role-play, and design and technology.

This area supports children's curiosity and play. They explore and share their thinking, ideas and feelings in music, in art, movement and dance, role play and technology. To give children the best opportunities through Positive Relationships children value their own unique ideas and those of others rather than reproducing those of someone else. Enabling Environments are stimulating and originality and expressiveness are valued. Learning and Development experiences allow children to express themselves through various types of representation.

**Expressive Arts and Design** is made up of these aspects:

- Exploring and Using Media and Materials
- Being Imaginative