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Dear Parents & Carers,

It has been lovely to see all of the new Reception children settle so well into school. Mrs Rawding, Mrs Buttle, and Miss Naylor would all like to say a huge 'well done' to all of you.

Now that we are settled, we would like to inform you about the curriculum that your children will be experiencing whilst at school.

Your child will follow the EYFS framework and will work towards the final assessment at the end of the Reception year, using the ELGs (Early Learning Goals). These goals are short statements that teachers assess your child against at the end of the year. These are:



Reception Baseline

The reception baseline assessment (RBA) is a short 10 minute long, interactive and practical assessment of your child's early literacy, communication, language and mathematics skills when they begin in school. It will be undertaken with your child's class teacher over the next two weeks and will provide a starting point to help measure your child's progress from reception to year 6.

The teacher will be able to spend quality 1-1 time with your child, getting to know them and finding out if they need any further support in certain areas. When your child reaches year 6, you will be able to see the progress your child has made throughout their school journey. If you wish to read further on the reception baseline, then you can find a useful parent booklet here; <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/reception-baseline-assessment-information-for-parents>

The results of the baseline assessment are usually released around Christmas time but we will share our observations with you during parent's evening appointments on the 14th and 15th November. If you have any questions then please feel free to speak to Mrs Rawding or Mrs Buttle.

Many Thanks for your continued support. We look forward to sharing your children's learning journey with you.

Yours sincerely

The Donaldson Class Team