



16th September 2021

Dear Parents / Guardians,

At Holy Rosary Catholic Voluntary Academy, we embrace changes that are going to have a positive impact on education. As you may already be aware, the DFE have introduced a new EYFS framework, commencing September 2021.

What does this mean for your child?

Your child will follow the updated EYFS Framework and will work towards the final assessment at the end of the Reception year, using the new ELGs (early learning goals). These goals are short statements that teachers use for assessment throughout the year. These statements will be shared with you in the first progress report in October. The 7 main areas of learning remain the same. These are:



As part of the changes to the new framework, it also means that there is less emphasis on recording paperwork, meaning we, as adults, can spend more time with your child getting to know them and having those quality interactions to impact on their learning. The new framework is also more aligned with the KS1 curriculum, further ensuring your child's educational journey from Reception to KS1 is building upon previous knowledge so that they are ready for their next phase of education.

Reception Baseline

The Reception Baseline Assessment (RBA) is a short interactive and practical assessment of your child's literacy, communication, language and mathematics skills. It will be undertaken with your child's class teacher and will be a measure of your child's progress from Reception to Year 6. The data from the assessment will only be accessed by the DFE. During the assessment, your child's class teacher will be able to spend quality 1-1 time with your child, getting to know them and identifying if they need any further support in the areas assessed. When your child reaches Year 6, the progress your child has made throughout their school journey will be shared with you. If you wish to read more about the RBA, you can find a useful parent booklet here:



<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/reception-baseline-assessment-information-for-parents>

If you have any questions, contact your child's class teacher using Class Dojo or by emailing:
enquiries@hrb.srscmat.co.uk.

With best wishes,

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