

Teaching and Learning

Let's Reflect – Quality Curriculum



“The EYFS (educational programmes) provides the curriculum framework that leaders build on to decide what they intend children to learn and develop. Leaders and practitioners decide how to implement the curriculum so that children make progress in the seven areas of learning. Leaders and practitioners evaluate the impact of the curriculum by checking what children know and can do.”

Statutory Framework 2023

A curriculum is what you want children to learn during their time with you. It should be reflective of the educational programmes detailed within the EYFS and should take into consideration the needs and interests of the children, the skills and experience of your staff team etc.

Task

Consider the questions below and reflect on what a Quality Curriculum should look like in your setting:

- What is staffs understanding of the term curriculum?
- Have you established a shared understanding of what makes your curriculum unique?

- Is your curriculum reflective of your settings ethos/vision?
- Is your curriculum reflective of the ages and stages you are working with?
- Does your curriculum reflect the community you serve?
- Is the sequence of learning and development considered and reflected adequately when creating your curriculum?
- Are national and local initiatives and priorities reflected in your curriculum?
- Are staff able to articulate what they want individual children to learn?
- How are new opportunities and experiences embedded within your curriculum?
- Is the child's cultural capital given consideration?
- Are parents/carers views and ideas reflected in your curriculum?