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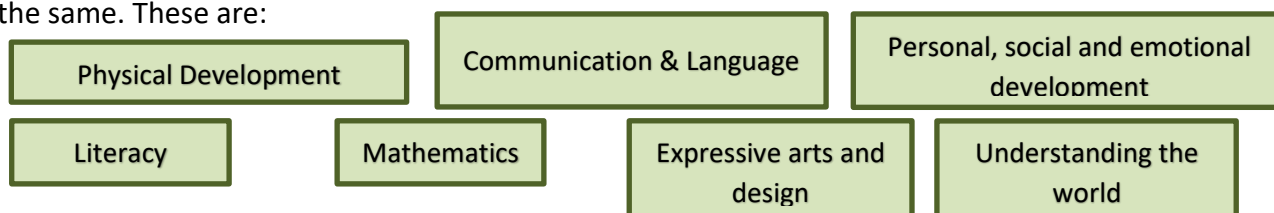
### Reception Baseline Assessment

Dear Parents / Carers,

At Saltergate, we embrace changes that are going to have a positive impact on the children's learning and education. You may already be aware, the DfE introduced a new EYFS framework, commencing September 2021. The school became an early adopter of these changes in 2020. We are very excited to continue with this wonderful curriculum this year.

#### **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 assess your child against at the end of the year. The 7 main areas of learning remain the same. These are:



As part of the changes to the new framework, it means that we, can spend more time with your child getting to know them and support their learning journey. We are able to support your child to make the very best progress in all areas of 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 skills and knowledge.

#### **Reception Baseline**

In 2021, a new statutory assessment was introduced, this is called the 'Reception Baseline Assessment'. The RBA will provide an opportunity for your child to have valuable one-to-one time with their teacher at an early stage, so the teacher can get to know your child. It will provide a helpful snapshot of where your child is when they enter reception, so they can be supported in the most appropriate way. The RBA is a short, interactive and practical assessment of your child's early literacy, communication, language and mathematics skills when they begin school, using materials that most children of your child's age will be familiar with. It will be undertaken with your child's class teacher in an interactive and fun way and will measure your child's progress from reception to year 6. 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>

If you have any questions then please feel free to speak to your child's class teacher.

Many thanks for your continued support

Hannah Gotts Reception Teacher and EYFS Leader

