



**Birches First School**  
**Believe, Grow, Succeed...**  
**...to be the best 'me' I can be.**

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Dear Parents,

Today your child will come home with their school report for the academic year 2021-2022. We are delighted with how hard the children have worked this year and the progress they have made.

Your child's report has been written based on teacher's observations, their learning outcomes and behaviour during the academic year. Although this year has been more of a settled year, we cannot forget the impact Covid has had on our children. Please be assured that should your child be judged as 'working towards' at the end of the year they still may have made appropriate progress from their starting point and their unique learning journey will be celebrated as such.

Children are assessed against the national end of year age related expectations (ARE). The national expectation is that most children will start the year at the emerging stage and as they progress through the year they will achieve a 'secure' judgement. Our report has grades 1, 2 and 3 which reflect this judgement and is explained more fully in the report.

### **Reception/Year One/Year Two/Year Four**

As you are aware, we have completed the statutory assessments this year; Early Learning Goals for Reception and Good Level of Development, Phonic Screening Check for Year One, Key Stage One SATs for Year Two and Multiplication Timetable Check for Year Four. Their scores are contained in their report and can be seen below.

### **Reception**

Each of the 17 Early Learning Goals are assessed at Emerging (1) or Expected (2)

A GLD (a 'Good Level of Development') is defined as reaching the expected level in the prime areas of learning (along with specific aspects of mathematics and literacy).

'Good Level of Development' assessed as 'GLD' or 'Not GLD'

### **Year One Phonics**

'Met the Expected Standard' or 'Did Not Met the Expected Standard'

### **Year Two Key Stage One Results (SATs)**

#### **Maths/Writing/Reading: -**

Working Towards the Expected Standard

Working at the Expected Standard

Working at Greater Depth within the Expected Standard

#### **Science**

Working at the Expected Standard or Has not met the Expected Standard

#### Year Four Multiplication Timetable Check

There is no expected standard threshold for the multiplication tables check. Score out of 25.

Our informal Open Afternoon will be held on Thursday 14th July. Between 1.00pm and 3.00pm you may look at your child's work with them in the School Hall. Class teachers will be available between 3.30pm to 4.00pm for informal discussions. If you have any further questions and would like to request a private interview with your child's class teacher please speak directly to the class teacher via email to make an appointment.

Finally, I have read every report and can truly say that the children at Birches are a true credit to you as parents and to all of us here at school. They have coped amazingly again this year and worked tremendously hard-they definitely need a fun and free six weeks!

I hope you enjoy reading about your child's learning this year, please acknowledge receipt of your child's report by filling in the survey and returning any feedback to us. This will be sent via text.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you once again for your continued support and understanding this year. Have a wonderful holiday. Take care.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher