

# LUXULYAN SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## **Early Years – Early Adopter Status**

At the end of their Reception year, we assess your children and decide if they have met a set of Early Learning Goals (ELGs), in different areas of learning. The government has decided to change the ELGs that we use to assess your child and have offered schools the chance to adopt the new ELGs, one year early, in September 2020.

Cornwall Education Learning Trust (CELT) has decided to pilot the new ELGs in all their primary schools, so Luxulyan School has become an Early Adopter School and from this, we will be using the new ELGs to assess your children at the end of their Reception year. New guidance (Development Matters) has been released to support learning during the Reception year. However, Development Matters is not a checklist of things that your child should do, rather it is guidance for the adults working with your child, to help support and embed learning during your child's journey through Reception.

### **What does this mean for your child?**

Nothing will change for your child. We will continue to offer them the highest quality learning experiences in school and we will continue to develop the whole child, thinking about how they learn and who they are as individuals. Your child will be unaware that anything different is going on; it is definitely business as usual for them!

### **What does this mean for parents/ carers?**

Nothing will change for parents/carers. We will continue to support you the best of our ability and value your opinions and knowledge of your child. We will use 'Tapestry' to record your child's learning journey and will send your weekly observations. That being said, we will only send observations highlighting your child's 'WOW' moments, not their general day to day activities. This will give the adults much more time to support learning through playing with the children and moving their learning forward.

### **What does this mean for the teachers?**

We have spent time looking at and discussing the changes and new guidance. We will baseline your child on entry to Ash class, taking into account the time they may have spent solely at home or at preschools/ nurseries, during lockdown. At the end of the year, we will use our knowledge of your child, alongside some evidence we have gathered throughout the

year, to make judgements about whether they have met the ELGs.

In essence, nothing will change for you or your child. By becoming Early Adopters, we are obliged to communicate the changes to parents. We hope you and your child will continue to enjoy the exciting journey you have all started at Luxulyan School. The children have settled in so well and we are so proud of how they coping with the school day and embracing new challenges thrown at them!

Thank you for supporting us during this exciting year,

**Mrs Berry & Miss Illsley**  
**Ash class Teachers**