

Children may be working below their Age Related Expectations.

Beginning / Working Within: Children are working within their Age Related Expectations but are not secure within this band. This would be typical at the Autumn / Spring assessment points, as children are just starting to develop understanding of the new skills being taught.

Secure: Children have a solid understanding of the concepts they have been taught for this age group and are now ready to broaden and deepen their understanding of these skills.

However, because the new National Curriculum requires a higher standard, it is unlikely that children after just one year will have been taught enough new skills to reach their age related expected level. It is for this reason that your child, who may have been exactly on course according to the old National Curriculum, may now be appearing at a lower level against the new curriculum.

It is therefore essential that we are accurate in the assessment of skills, knowledge and understanding for your child so that we can continue to narrow the gap between the old and new curriculum expectations.

What next?

As a school we will continue to teach your child to the highest possible standard in line with the National Curriculum set by the Government. We will continue to put support in place for children who require it and we will be assessing using the new criteria. At parents' evenings we will be able to discuss this further with you in relation to your child / children.

Thank you for supporting your child's learning and understanding the legal changes we are required to make in measuring progress and attainment across the school.

Please find attached to this letter details of the new age related expectations for Reading, Writing and Maths for your child's year group.

Kind regards

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