# REACH BRITISH SCHOOL CHILDREN LOVE COMING TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY!



When children join the Foundation Stage at Reach British School, they are provided with endless opportunities to holistically develop as learners and make as much progress as possible. Reach Foundation Stage learning areas include purposeful and well-resourced indoor and outdoor areas of learning plus specialised areas such as our playgrounds, pottery classes and ICT facilities where our children are exposed to technology through the use of The Magic Box and the early introduction to Augmented Reality. In our newly developed Play-Project Room, children are exposed to innovative activities where they are introduced to early Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

At Reach, we plan topics that are important to our children. This empowers them and ensures teaching and learning is informed by their interests. This means our children are fully engaged in every step of their learning.

Through careful observations and assessment for learning our teachers teach our students what they need to know now. Daily, our EYFS children are challenged to reach the next steps in their learning.

Our exciting and engaging play-based learning opportunities create a firm foundation of knowledge and skills ready for their next phase of learning, our Primary years.

All this ensures Reach EYFS children are confident, lifelong learners who have lots of fun every day.

## WHY DO I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE (EYFS)?



- The EYFS is about the care your child will receive in their first years at school.
- Children do best when parents and professionals work together.
- Understanding what your child is doing when they are with others will help you to notice how well they are developing and learning.
- The part you play in their learning and the choices you make will make a difference in their future.
- It is important to remember that you know more about your child than anyone else. At an ISP school, we will be asking you about your child and sharing information with you about your child's progress.

#### WHAT IS THE EYFS?

- It is the first key stage at school
- The EYFS framework describes how schools should work with children and their families to support their development through the seven Areas of Learning as well as the Characteristics of Effective Learning (CoEL)
- It describes how your child should be kept safe and cared for and how we can all make sure that your child achieves the most that they can in their earliest years of life.
- It is based on four basic principles

## WHAT ARE THE FOUR EYFS PRINCIPLES?



#### • Theme: A Unique Child

From birth, every child is a competent learner who can be resilient, capable, confident and self-assured.

#### • Theme: Positive Relationships

Children learn to be strong and independent by forming loving and secure relationships with parents and Early Years staff at school.

#### • Theme: Enabling Environments

The environment plays a key role in supporting and extending children's development and learning.

#### • Theme: Learning and Development

Children develop and learn in different ways and at different rates and all areas of learning and development are equally important and interconnected.

## WHY ARE THE EYFS YEARS SO SPECIAL?

The years from birth to five see the greatest growth and learning for all children.

At Reach British School, we want your child to:

- Enjoy good health
- Be happy
- Feel safe
- Be successful

Early learning is the key to your child's future and families make the greatest difference at this stage.

#### WHY IT IS IMPORTANT



It is called the Foundation Stage because it gives a secure foundation for future learning. Childhood is important and we want all children at ISP schools to have many, many enjoyable, successful and satisfying learning experiences during their childhood. We aim to develop positive attitudes towards learning, in all our children.

### HOW WILL MY CHILD LEARN AT REACH BRITISH SCHOOL?

We know children learn best from experiences that are suitable for their stage of development. Play is key to the way young children learn. Through play children can develop the confidence for learning, social skills needed for personal development, and skills needed for writing, counting and exploring their environment. In that way, children become more independent and capable to solve simple problems.

Finally, The Early Years Foundation Stage is about you and your child working in partnership with us to ensure your child's needs are best met and where they start their journey of "Amazing Learning" at Reach British School.