The Early Years Curriculum covers birth to 5 years old. It is divided into 7 Areas of Learning. The Prime Areas are fundamental in a child's life and if they are not achieved then the further four Specific Areas cannot be developed efficiently. These three areas are seen as essential 'building blocks' for securing positive outcomes for young children in later life and into adulthood.

Prime Area of Learning	Aspect	Specific Area Of Learning	Aspect
Communication & Language	Listening Attention & Understanding Speaking	Literacy	Comprehension Word Reading Writing
Personal, Social & Emotional	Self Regulation Managing Self	Maths	Number Numerical Patterns
Physical Education	Building Relationships Gross Motor Skills Fine Motor Skills	Understanding the World	Past & Present People, Culture & Communities The Natural World
		Expressive Arts &	Creating with Materials Being Imaginative