

Universal Funding in the EYFS at Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

Barn-a-b's Pre School receive funding of £4.16 for all 3 and 4 year olds. This is made up of £4.12 + an extra 4p for 'Universal Funding'. The purpose for of this extra 4p is to support the children who need extra help to access the curriculum.

At Our Lady's we are committed to spending the Universal Funding in the following ways:

Increased adult support	Our aim is to have more than just the required amount of staff on hand to support our children make the most of their learning opportunities. Smaller ratios ensure that ALL children have access to high quality provision.
Training	All support staff in Barn-a-bs have access to excellent CPD. This could involve specialist courses but also time for reflection and supervision. Example of training includes; Sensory breaks, supporting children with autism, speech & language support and the Primary Writing Project.
Resources	Our EYFS benefits from excellent resources, designed to stimulate learning and create inquisitive minds.
External support	Staff and families have access to the school's SEND co-ordinator and Educational Psychologist. This support enables key workers to create My Plans for their children as well as more formal reporting, should we need to apply for further funding to support individual children.

Additional Funding

There may be instances where we feel we need to secure extra funding to support a child in the PreSchool setting. If this is the case then we would prepare an application that clearly stated what the needs of the child was, how we have supported them to date and how we would use any additional funding to meet the needs of the child.