

Early Years have their own curriculum called the Early Year Foundation Stage (EYFS). This curriculum tracks children’s development from birth to five and then when they enter Year One, children begin the National Curriculum (further details about year one to six assessment can be found on the school website).

Below are the development stages that the children will pass through during their time in Acorns.

30-50 months Secure ( <i>This is the expected entry level in September of starting school</i> )
40-60 months beginning
40-60 months developing
40-60 months secure
Early Learning Goal Emerging
Early Learning Goal Expected ( <i>This is the expected level of development when leaving Foundation Stage</i> )
Early Learning Goal Exceeding

Below is an example of how a child would reach the ‘Expected’ level by the end of their time in Foundation.

<b>Time of year</b>	<b>Development Stage</b>
<b>September</b>	30-50 months secure
<b>End of Autumn Term</b>	40-60 months developing
<b>End of Spring Term</b>	Early Learning Goal Emerging
<b>End of Summer Term</b>	Early Learning Goal Expected