

## What is a Good Level of Development in EYFS?

GLD stands for 'Good Level of Development'. This refers to a summative assessment judgement which is made for each EYFS child at the end of the Reception year. It is a measure of attainment, not progress. Achieving a good level of development will help a child to make a good start in Year 1.

## How is GLD (Good Level of Development in Children) Defined?

Children are defined as having reached a Good Level of Development at the end of the EYFS if they have achieved at least the '**expected**' level within:

- Prime Area: Personal, Social & Emotional Development (PSED)
- Prime Area: Physical Development (PD)
- Prime Area: Communication and Language (CL)
- Specific Area: Literacy (L)
- Specific Area: Mathematics (M)

There are two further Specific Areas of Learning:

- Expressive Arts & Design (EAD)
- Understanding the World (UtW)

These two further areas are evaluated in the [EYFS Profile](#) but are not required to achieve a GLD.