



English Intent

English at Littlemoor is taught through our bespoke holistic approach: with a focus on engaging and vocabulary-rich texts. We want all children to be successful through demonstrating high expectations, due to the Socio-economic demographics of Littlemoor we place great emphasis on supporting: parental engagement, pupil premium students, EAL students and encouraging boys through boy-friendly teaching and learning practises/strategies. We aim for all children to learn from, and experience high quality texts, which results in them also developing a passion for reading and writing. Teachers use drama activities, poetry and pupil-led learning to give children the opportunities to enhance their speaking and listening skills. Teachers and support assistants receive continuous professional development to support the teaching of English throughout the school.

In our writing, we have a clear sense of audience and purpose. This enables the children to develop their grammatical structures, knowledge of genre features, and the ability to choose the correct formality for a piece of writing. Children are given opportunities to create pieces of writing which they are proud of. The range of themes that we cover from EYFS to the end of KS2, aim to open the eyes and imagination of our children, and for them to then become inquisitive and want to discover more.

Reading is given a high status at Littlemoor, and the children are eager to take part in their reading lessons, and transfer this passion, and their skills across the curriculum. We aim to instil a passion of reading for pleasure. Each child is able to visit the library and reading snugs across school, indoor and outdoor. Throughout all Key Stages, children are read to daily during our DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) times. Each child has a reading diary and book, which are taken home each day.

In EYFS and KS1, they are able to practice their letter formation and are taught to take pride in their writing from an early age. Our pupils learn phonics through 'Read Write Inc,' taking part in a range of fun activities - such as Fred games, Fred talk and other interactive phonics games.