

English

The teaching of English encompasses reading, writing, spelling, handwriting, drama, speaking and listening. English is taught daily. We use Letters and Sounds to teach phonics and early reading skills. In Year R and Key Stage 1 phonics is taught as a whole class for 20 minutes each day. The Oxford Reading Tree provides the core of the school reading scheme, however this is supplemented by a wide range of other fiction and non-fiction books. There are guided reading sessions in each class through the week which are carefully planned to help the children develop their comprehension and understanding of fiction and non-fiction texts. We have a well stocked library and book corners that all children are encouraged to borrow from on a regular basis. An annual visit to the theatre is planned each year so that the children will have the opportunity to enjoy live performances. Through concerts, musical productions and class assemblies all children are involved in performing to audiences.