



# English

## Vision

English encompasses communication in all its forms. We are always looking at how the world around us appears on the pages we read every day. Our aim is to support learning across the whole of learners' lives and enable them to gain knowledge and skills that they can use no matter the curriculum or place. We also love getting into the deeper world of the craft of language!

A readiness to learn is encouraged and supported since effective language skills help learners to make sense of concepts across their English, for example by enabling them to articulate their reasoning when solving problems and analysing information. Effective skills deepen this ability as they enable learners to respond in many more contexts, texts and conversations.

English is not just about stories! We want children to find a love of their language and to see how it is part of their everyday life, from how we see Shakespeare still in our everyday speech to how the news and TV can easily persuade us to buy that new product off the shelf. English is about how we communicate as humans, and we want our students to appreciate and be able to use this communication in school and beyond.

Given that a key aspect of effective language learning is the willingness to experiment and take risks in trying out new structures, sounds and patterns, learning and experience in this area can empower learners to be creative and to persevere when facing challenges. Together, these skills can build learners' confidence in grasping new opportunities and adapting to different roles, which in turn can develop them as enterprising, creative contributors, ready to play a full part in life and work.

Engaging with this area also helps learners become healthy, confident individuals ready to lead fulfilling lives as valued members of society. The skills promoted through languages, literacy and communication are key to enabling learners to express themselves effectively, be open to other people's points of view and develop positive relationships.

## Skills



The Meaning Of Language: Inference, Deduction and Analysis (Reading Focus)



Developing Discussion: Persuasion and Talk (Oracy Focus)



Writing: Description and Narration (Writing Focus)

