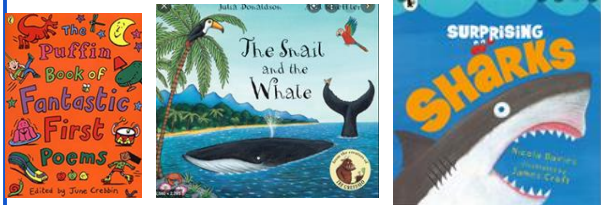


Our Reading Provision: Year 1

Reading Curriculum

Books are at the heart of St Thomas' curriculum. We share high quality texts from the CLPE framework. Teachers read high quality books to children during DEAR time and English lessons. Teachers rotate around the Year 1 and 2 classes to give the children chance to hear different people reading. This is a special time in order to promote our love of reading and instil this into our children. We hope that our children will develop a passion for books long after they leave St Thomas'. All classes have inviting book corners/nooks which are welcoming for the children to read in.



Reading In School Phonics Reading

Children read daily to their partners or teachers during their Phonics/English lessons and guided reading sessions.

The children are assessed every six-seven weeks to monitor the progression of their Phonics skills and knowledge. This information is used by their new Phonics teacher to ensure individual child's gaps are filled and additional support is provided.

Independent Reading

Independent reading takes place during morning register.

Morning Reading lessons

During the reading lesson we focus on a particular early comprehension skill. During Summer term sessions we introduce our Twinkl reading dogs, to prepare the children for Year 2. We explicitly use Inference, prediction, retrieval, vocabulary and sequencing skills. An adult takes a small group of children to work on their fluency and decoding, so that the children read to the their own class teacher at least once a week. We also use the CLPE Power of reading suggested reading activities to support the English lessons based on our topic book.

Reading At Home

All children are given a decodable book based on their Phonics/Read Write inc level. The children are able to read these books with 95% accuracy once they have learnt the key vocabulary (green words) within their Phonics lessons. Children should begin Year one at Purple level and leave Year 1 at blue level

Bug Club

Children are also allocated Bug Club books. This is an additional reading resource. The books are pitched to correlate with the reading level of their Phonics group. They contain activities to assess and improve children's comprehension skills.

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Reading For Pleasure Book Corner

Each class has a dedicated reading Area. Children are encouraged to share recommendations of books they love with their friends.



DEAR Time

Our favourite time is Friday afternoons when children 'Drop Everything And Read'. They either select a teacher to hear read to them, or a different teacher will visit their class. This allows them to finish off their week immersed and drifting off into another world within a story.

