

Reading at Djanogly Sherwood Academy

'The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.' Dr Seuss

Intent

At Djanogly Sherwood Academy we believe that success in reading stems from a love of reading and books. We aim to equip children with the skills and attitudes that will allow this. We select books and resources that will inspire and engage the children as readers and will extend and deepen their knowledge of the world. We plan lessons that will expand their vocabulary, capture their imagination and encourage them to question, predict, explain, summarise and use inference to support understanding.



Our environment

Each classroom has an area dedicated to reading and books. Children are given the time to read and enjoy books as well as use them to gain information. We invest in books. We have a bookspine of 100 'Brilliant Books' for each year group as well as many other quality books. We have a library which is used by classes throughout the day to promote reading.

V

vocabulary

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inference

P

prediction

E

explain

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retrieve

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summarise

S

sequence

Implementation

Children have individual reading books which they are encouraged to read both at home and school. We use RED TED and reading rewards to encourage children to regularly at home.

Reading skills are taught within phonics, Book of the Week or English lessons. Class books are selected to engage and to develop skills and knowledge, where appropriate they are linked with Curriculum topics. The VIPERS framework is used to support reading comprehension skills.

Impact

We are developing a culture where books are valued and reading is important. Children enjoy choosing, reading and talking about books. They are becoming independent and competent readers who gain information, knowledge and pleasure from a variety of books. They are developing their imagination, their vocabulary and understanding of how language works. In 2022, 64% of our Year 6 children, 63% of our Year 2 children and 59% of our F2 children achieved Age Related Expectations in reading.

The simplest way to make sure that we raise literate children is To show them that reading is a pleasurable activity. And that means finding books that they enjoy, giving them access to these books and letting them read them.

Neil Gaiman

