



## **Literacy – Intent, Implementation & Impact**

At The Aspire Hub(s) we believe that reading and writing is a key skill for life. Our aim is to provide children with transferable reading and writing skills and our priority is to foster and develop a love of reading, writing and conversation.

### **Intent**

The literacy curriculum aims to ensure that children develop a secure knowledge-base in Literacy as they advance through the primary curriculum at The Aspire Hub. A secure basis in literacy is crucial to a high quality education and will give our children the tools they need to participate fully as a member of society.

We intend to –

- Give all children a solid base upon which to build as they progress through school and into adulthood
- Help children to develop the habit of reading often, for both pleasure and information
- Nurtures in all children the ability to express themselves clearly – verbally and in writing; to develop their word choice when speaking and to encourage accurate grammar when speaking in order to aid self-expression
- Allows children to comprehend what they read, and to write creatively and accurately
- Phonics is taught daily using Phonics Play in a progressive way
- Spelling is taught allowing children to learn spelling rules and exceptions, as well as irregular spelling
- Handwriting is taught to develop legibility and fluidity and to encourage all children to take pride in their work

### **Implementation**

The Literacy Curriculum is lead by our Room Leaders and overseen by our Curriculum Lead alongside SLT. They will regularly monitor, evaluate and review the Literacy Curriculum. SLT complete regular formal observations of classrooms and lessons, along with informal observations, critiquing constructively and celebrating and sharing good practice.

Formative assessments will be integrated into every day Literacy teaching to ensure teachers have an in-depth knowledge of childrens learning and to inform their next steps. Low stakes testing is a great way of getting pupils to retrieve information and track whether pupils remember key aspects of the subject taught. We will do this with regular assessment and by supporting an environment that allows children to revisit and secure their knowledge in Literacy.

- Multiple choice quizzes
- Key word definitions
- Vocabulary testing
- Spelling tests
- Labelling diagrams from memory
- Recalling key facts, dates and people, from memory

All children's efforts will be celebrated. Work that reflects the efforts of all children will be displayed and named.

### **Impact**

Our Literacy Curriculum should ensure that –

- Children leave The Aspire Hub confident to try new things, experiment with their writing, take risks and continue to expand their experience of reading
- Children develop and foster a love of reading and writing. They should be able to express their opinions and their creativity in writing that is well structured, clear and interesting.
- Children leave The Aspire Hub able to express their opinions and emotions verbally, to understand how to engage – and disagree – with others clearly and articulately.
- Children leave The Aspire Hub having made the best possible progress as a result of consistency and quality of support for both their learning and

To measure the impact, we will keep records of the scores achieved.