



Subject Vision 2018-2019

Subject: English

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At Castle Hill Primary School, we believe that communication and English are key life skills which are at the heart of all learning, which we are dedicated to developing and nurturing through the life of the school. We believe that the ability to speak and listen well is essential for children to be able to articulate their opinions, ideas and feelings. In addition to this, we believe that valuing others' thoughts and views, treating them with respect and integrity is a critical and vital part of lifelong learning.

Throughout the English curriculum, we teach children to develop the skills and knowledge that will enable them to communicate effectively and creatively through spoken and written language. We think it's crucial for children to enjoy and appreciate literature and its rich variety. It is our vision that every child will learn to write by being given real and exciting materials and opportunities that inspire and encourage them throughout school and their life. We believe this encouragement will enable them to become confident, capable, enthusiastic and imaginative writers who will develop a genuine love of reading and writing.

We will show and explain everyday occurrences to the children and inspire them to write about them. We will share excellent writing to inspire children to emulate styles. We encourage children to read their work for enjoyment, to read it aloud to others and provide audiences for writing. We want children to have an understanding and an intellectual intelligence that writing has a real purpose and that word choice and style can bring about change. We want children to see different perspectives in reading and writing, use intellectual playfulness and speed and accuracy.

Because English is central to children's intellectual, emotional and social development it has an essential role across the curriculum and helps pupils' learning to be coherent and progressive. We are dedicated to fostering student success by providing a solid academic foundation and maximizing intellectual potential in each individual within a nurturing yet academically challenging environment.