

# English at



**St George's**  
Church of England Primary School  
Bringing faith and education together



At St George's Church of England Primary School, we believe that good teaching of English offers all pupils the opportunity to communicate their thoughts and opinions clearly and confidently. Writing, Speaking and Listening are fundamental skills that allow children to engage with all areas of life beyond education.

## INTENT

Through secure teaching, and fostering a love of reading and writing, children will be taught to express themselves creatively and imaginatively as they become successful, enthusiastic, and critical readers and writers. Children will explore a range of fiction, non-fiction, poetry and drama as well as media based texts, to gain an understanding of how language works by looking at patterns, structures, origins and developing a range of vocabulary. Our aim is for English to be a subject that children can explore and enjoy.

## IMPLEMENTATION

At St George's Church of England Primary School, we believe these principles underpin good teaching and learning in the English curriculum:

- Developing spoken language skills through good modelling of oracy, drama and a range of spoken opportunities to broaden language acquisition.
- Writing through different contexts and for a range of purpose and audiences to develop creativity, personal writing style and enjoyment of writing.
- An awareness of clear communication through the use of grammar, punctuation, spelling and neat legible handwriting.

### Approaches to Writing

Writing is taught through a range of shared writing, guided writing, independent writing, extended writing and handwriting. Each term a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry is covered in every class.

### Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

We use progressive spelling and grammar planners which follow the 'No Nonsense Spelling' and 'No Nonsense Grammar' structure and progression. These planners allow our curriculum to build upon prior learning and further broaden knowledge of spelling and grammatical patterns.

### Cross-Curricular Opportunities

Children are given opportunities to make cross-curricular links with other areas of the national curriculum. Pupils practise and apply the skills, knowledge and understanding acquired through English lessons to other areas of the curriculum.

## IMPACT

Through the delivery of high quality English lessons within our school, we aim to provide children with the relevant skills they will need in later life and hope that our children will demonstrate that they can confidently communicate through a range different purposes and for a range of audiences.