

English at Broadstone Hall



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English lies at the heart of all learning and the curriculum. At Broadstone Hall Primary School, we believe that a quality English curriculum should develop children's love of reading, writing and discussion. We aim to inspire an appreciation of our rich and varied literary heritage and develop a habit of reading widely. This starts with a systematic synthetic phonics programme which gives our children essential decoding skills. To ensure that our children are confident in the art of speaking and listening, we use discussion to communicate and further their learning in all areas of the curriculum.

We aim to foster a culture where children take pride in their writing, can write clearly and accurately and are able to adapt their language and style for a range of contexts, purposes and audiences. We want our children to acquire a wide vocabulary, a solid understanding of grammar and be able to spell new words by effectively applying their knowledge of spelling patterns and rules. All good writers refine and edit their writing over time, so we encourage our children to identify their own areas for improvement at an age-appropriate level. Our broad and balanced curriculum, underpinned by inclusive practice, aims to provide our children with the skills they need for life and to participate fully as a member of society.