

Reading at Pallister Park Primary School

Our aim at Pallister is that all children enjoy and develop a love of reading. We develop the children's reading skills by immersing them in a language rich and creative curriculum which develops their knowledge and breadth of vocabulary. We surround the children with high quality texts, those which are both familiar and unfamiliar.

Foundation /Key Stage 1

We use Letters and Sounds, Jolly Phonics, and RW Inc to teach synthetic phonics.

The children read individually, in small groups and as a whole class. As the children read we teach skills such as discussing the content /theme of the book, asking the children questions which encourage the use of picture clues, and ask a selection of questions to deepen the understanding of the text (comprehension). As well as this the children are taught tricky words by sight.

The children also access a wealth of texts throughout English lessons and within the creative curriculum.

Key Stage 2

Within Key Stage 2 reading skills developed in Key Stage 1 are continued and extended.

Independent reading, shared reading, guided reading, comprehension sessions, cross-curricular sessions and reading for pleasure build a layered approach to developing reading skills. Again the children also access a wealth of texts throughout English lessons and within the creative curriculum.