Key Learning in Reading: Year 3



Word Reading

As above and:

- Read books at an age appropriate interest level.
- Use knowledge of root words to understand meanings of words.
- Use prefixes to understand meanings e.g. un-, dis-, mis-, re-, pre-, im-, in-.
- Use suffixes to understand meanings e.g. -ly, -ous.
- Read and understand words from the Year 3 list (selected from the statutory Year 3/4 word list) - see below.

Comprehension

As above and:

Developing pleasure in reading and motivation to read

- Listen to and discuss a range of fiction, poetry, plays and non-fiction, e.g. fables, fairy tales, classic poetry, shape poetry, non-chronological reports, explanations.
- Regularly listen to whole novels read aloud by the teacher.
- Read a range of non-fiction texts, e.g. information, discussion, explanation, biography and persuasion.
- Read books and texts for a range of purposes e.g. enjoyment, research, skills development, reference.
- Recognise some different forms of poetry e.g. *narrative, calligrams, shape poems.*
- Sequence and discuss the main events in stories.
- Orally retell a range of stories, including less familiar fairy stories, fables and folk tales e.g. Grimm's Fairy Tales.
- Identify and discuss themes e.g. good over evil, weak and strong, wise and foolish, mean and generous, rich and poor.
- Identify and discuss conventions e.g. numbers three and seven in fairy tales, magical sentence repeated several times.
- Prepare poems and play scripts to read aloud, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action.

Understanding the text

- Identify, discuss and collect favourite words and phrases which capture the reader's interest and imagination.
- Explain the meaning of unfamiliar words by using the context.
- Use dictionaries to check meanings of words they have read.
- Use intonation, tone and volume when reading aloud.
- Take note of punctuation when reading aloud.
- Discuss their understanding of the text.
- Raise questions during the reading process to deepen understanding e.g. I wonder why the character.
- Draw inferences around characters thoughts, feelings and actions, and justify with evidence from the text.
- Make predictions based on details stated.
- Justify responses to the text using the PE prompt (Point + Evidence).
- Discuss the purpose of paragraphs.
- Identify a key idea in a paragraph.
- Analyse and evaluate texts looking at language, structure and presentation e.g. persuasive letter, diary and calligram etc.

Retrieving and recording information from non-fiction

- Prepare for research by identifying what is already known about the subject and key questions to structure the task.
- Evaluate how specific information is organised within a non-fiction text e.g. text boxes, contents, bullet points, glossary, diagrams.
- Quickly appraise a text to evaluate usefulness.
- Navigate texts in print and on screen.
- Record information from a range of non-fiction texts.

Participating in discussion

- Participate in discussion about what is read to them and books they have read independently.
- Develop and agree on rules for effective discussion.
- Take turns and listen to what others say.
- Make and respond to contributions in a variety of group situations e.g. whole class, pairs, guided groups, book circles.