

Vocabulary and Oracy Statement

Vision: To be a community of courageous life-long learners, who are rooted in God, live out our Christian values and enjoy life in all its fullness. (Col 2:1-7)

Mission: Growing together, rooted in God and inspiring one another through our values and our broad enriched curriculum.

Strapline: Growing together, rooted in God, having fullness of life (Col 2:1-7)

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1. Purpose

Vocabulary and oracy are central to cognition, reading and writing. They are the foundation for academic success across all subjects.

2. Intent

We intend that all pupils:

- Develop rich, ambitious vocabulary
- Speak confidently and clearly
- Listen actively and respectfully
- Participate in discussion, debate and performance
- Use talk to deepen understanding

3. Implementation

3.1 Vocabulary

- Explicit teaching of new vocabulary
- Word walls & vocabulary books
- Morphology and etymology teaching
- Reading rich texts
- Drama and oral storytelling

3.2 Oracy

- Structured talk opportunities
- Sentence stems to support discussion
- Debates, presentations and recitals
- Drama and role-play
- Performance poetry
- Mixed-age group collaboration (World Book Day activities)

4. Impact

Children become:

- Confident speakers
- Active listeners
- Skilled vocabulary users
- Thoughtful communicators
- Successful learners across all subjects