

Excellence in Literacy Quality Mark

We are delighted to confirm that All Saints CEVC Primary School, Lawshall, achieved the Excellence in Literacy Quality Mark from the International Literacy Centre on Friday 27th May, 2016. The award is valid for three years and recognises the school's ongoing commitment to improvement in literacy provision.

Effective leadership contributes significantly to the school's success. The Headteacher and SMT take an active role in literacy leadership and staff have access to high quality professional learning opportunities. The school is also playing a lead role in supporting professional learning and school improvement in other schools through specific collaborative literacy projects.

A literacy rich environment offers pupils a balance of learning support and celebration of successful work through high quality, attractive displays. There is a strong sense that literacy really is at the heart of All Saints Primary School supported by a motivating and creative curriculum. A well-stocked school library is a powerful resource with new books purchased each year and regular class visits. Curricula are thoughtfully designed with a strong focus on developing effective speaking and listening skills as the bedrock of literacy learning. Guided Reading provides a practical context for securing phonic skills and promoting reading for meaning and a systematic approach to teaching synthetic phonics offers a strong start in the early stages of learning to read. Special events and visits further enrich the curriculum.

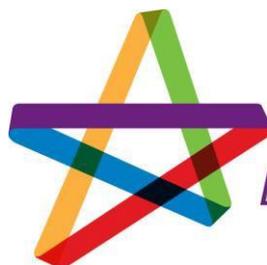
The school sets extremely challenging targets for pupils which are generally met and children make very good progress. Pupil progress meetings take place regularly and monitor progression for target pupils. Formative assessment is highlighted in curriculum planning documents. Robust tracking systems, regular monitoring of literacy planning and book scrutiny for progress and differentiation and termly assessment moderation meetings ensure that high expectations are being met. Carefully selected approaches to intervention are used to support pupils in identified areas of need.

All Saints Primary School clearly values positive parental relationships and works hard to provide clear, valuable information. Many mechanisms are in place for communicating with parents. Parents are welcomed to school Silver Assembly and other special events and seem to be very well-informed about their child's targets, interventions, progress and how they can help their child to succeed. Pupils confidently ask for more information when they are not sure about something because of the underpinning learning behaviours that are a focus across school.

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Helen Morris

Excellence in Literacy Quality Mark Lead



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