



## Talk for Writing

To help improve our pupils' progress in writing and to inspire a love for written language, we will be launching Talk for Writing across the school this academic year. Talk for Writing has been developed by Pie Corbett and is based on the principles of how children learn. It is fun and enjoyable and, year on year, builds upon key writing skills. There are three stages of Talk4Writing; Imitation, Innovation and Invention. Children start by orally imitating the key language needed for a particular type of writing before reading and analysing texts. This is followed by the rehearsal of the language and shared writing, before finally crafting their own written pieces.

Teachers use a variety of techniques such as model texts, story maps, boxing up, reading as a writer and also magpieing to develop the writing skills of each child. Model texts are written by teachers and learnt by the children. Each one has a particular focus to develop the children's range of writing and ensures progression in writing skills, particularly grammar and vocabulary choices. 'Toolkits' have been created for each year group and show the key writing skills that children will be learning and embedding. Workshops will be available to parents and families to give a greater understanding of Talk4Writing in order to support their children.

In every unit of work children will study a core text. These core texts provide the basis for fiction and non-fiction pieces of writing. Core texts have been selected to link with International Primary Curriculum (IPC) units to enable us to embed literacy across the curriculum.

