English Upper Key Stage 2

English is taught as part of the topic that the children are learning as part of their curriculum theme, high quality texts are used throughout the theme to support and engage the children in their learning. In addition, the children have separate grammar and spelling lessons to ensure that they are developing the necessary skills to apply to their writing. Spelling is taught using Talk for Spelling which is an approach that encourages the children to investigate how words are spelt, working both individually and collaboratively to look at different spelling patterns and rules. Reading comprehension is taught using the Fischer Family Trust which helps children to discuss their understanding of a text and helps prepare them for working independently on comprehension questions by looking at a text in depth whilst developing their vocabulary knowledge. Children are given opportunities to write on a daily basis in all aspects of the curriculum. Children write an extended piece of writing every two weeks these are designed to encourage the children to showcase what they have learned as 'Aspiring Authors.'