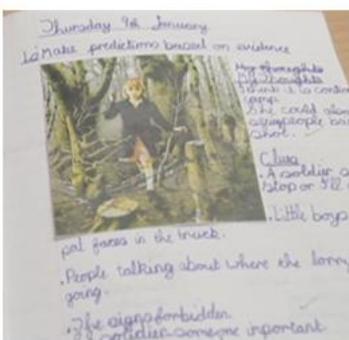


Literature Works

Supporting outstanding outcomes in reading, speaking and listening, writing, within English and across the curriculum.



What is 'Literature Works'?

Literature Works, established in 2005, provides a practical and supportive framework for the development of language comprehension that benefits the whole primary school. It also acts as a cornerstone to a rich and balanced curriculum. Literature Works, held in high regard by school leader's, is tailored to the needs of each school. A programme of teacher CPD and school events support senior leaders and teachers to develop strategies for the progression and continuity of 'mastery' learning in literacy and English across the curriculum. Teacher`s use texts to sequence lessons and contextualise learning. Schools are able to make a profound difference to pupils' progress in reading comprehension, vocabulary acquisition, inferential thinking and writing. Pupils are enthused, are encouraged to share their views on what they have read, develop the ability to compare texts, express opinions and think critically. In writing, pupils are motivated, are able to write with a clear purpose and apply grammar and vocabulary appropriately to different writing purposes. Teachers teach to gaps in pupil learning, are able to reduce unnecessary 'scaffold' and consequently pupils achieve more.

Aims of Literature Works is to:

- secure continuity and progression in language comprehension, including, vocabulary, contextualised grammar and dialogic talk, from EYFS to Year Six
- secure the development of Greater Depth Reading and Writing
- provide coherence to pupil learning; including a clear reading to writing planning process, key strategies, the sequencing of teacher questions and diagnostic assessment
- establish a vibrant reading and writing culture that benefits the whole school
- provide high quality CPD
- share successful practice and knowledge
- maintain a strong team of lead teachers
- facilitate relationships with libraries and other partners; access knowledge and resources
- ensure our website provides a platform for teacher`s to access and share resources, ideas and knowledge



Does it really work?

“Through Literature Works, schools and libraries identify the best and most enjoyable reading opportunities for children and young people.”

Tony Durcan OBE, Director of Culture, Libraries and Lifelong Learning

“I believe Literature Works contributes to the development of good and outstanding teaching.”

Michael Ewing, Headteacher, St Catherine`s RC Primary School, Newcastle

“Literature Works is tangible within our learning environment. It acts as a cornerstone of our curriculum and teacher planning. Pupils are keen to explore the key ideas within a text through high quality discussion, text related activities, including drama and writing. Indeed, pupils see writing as purposeful and relevant. Planning for reading has led to an improved writing process that we believe enhances the standard of writing across our school.”

Mark Outterside, Headteacher, Westerhope Primary, Newcastle

“Being a large school with an 86% EAL population Literature Works has had a huge impact on learning and teaching in our school. The whole approach has become an integral part of what we do with the creative curriculum based upon high quality, challenging texts. The children love reading and embrace the approach with gusto! The pupils love the author visits

Jane Mullarkey, Headteacher, Wingrove Primary School, Newcastle

“Literature Works has reinvigorated our curriculum and created a new love for books and reading. It has really helped to focus teacher planning onto reading while also promoting reading for enjoyment and pleasure.”

Andrew Miller, Headteacher, Mowbray Primary School, Northumberland

“Literature Works has had a considerable impact on our curriculum this year; by delivering lessons using a book based approach the children`s engagement and enjoyment has soared. Author visits have been fantastic, the whole profile of reading has been raised. I look forward to building on these strategies into the second year and beyond.”

Barbara Brown, Headteacher, Sacred Heart RC Primary School, Newcastle

“Literature Works has brought literature to life! Staff return from CPD events excited and keen to get started in the classroom. CPD is delivered with expertise and inspiration. Literature Works is having such a positive impact on the children`s love of books”

Lynn Boulton, Headteacher, Timothy Hackworth Primary School, Co Durham

100% of Head teachers agreed that LW represents good value for money and that involvement led to improved pupil outcomes and addressed objectives in school improvement plans. **(Independent Evaluation Report, commissioned by Newcastle City Council)**



Enhanced delivery—available and accessible to all schools engaged

New Schools

- Introductory school audit
- SLT / English strategic action planning
- Staff meeting: introductory launch
- Head teacher meetings
- English subject leader meetings.
- Literature Works- lead teachers, half termly meetings
- CPD (see below)
- Author events, termly opportunities with teacher CPD
- Northumbria University, student placement opportunities
- Access to resources and website.

Existing Schools

- This includes the offer outlined above, *(apart from introductory audit and staff launch)*

Head teacher and subject leader meetings

Regular meetings throughout the year providing; OfSTED updates, school to school discussions, knowledge and sharing of highly effective practice

Access to Website

Information and guidance. Including;

- text based units from EYFS to Year Six. *(Fiction, Non-fiction and Poetry)*
- ideas-rich teacher case studies
- resources; e.g 'termly' blocked grammar and vocabulary, reading 'activities' resource booklet and much more.
- related research and information

Lead Teachers

A strong team of highly skilled and motivated teachers of Primary English. Leads' focus upon English priorities, shaped and commissioned by head teachers. They also support teacher CPD enquiry groups.

Continuing Professional Development

High quality, full day, termly CPD for teacher's tailored to year group expectations. All sessions are aligned to process and key pedagogy. *For further details please see calendar of events for 2020-21.* Schools can also access bespoke in-house support. *(There is an additional charge to attend termly CPD events or access in-school support)*

Library Partnership

Library representation at termly meetings and supported partnership with the local library network; opportunities to discuss and access resources.

Annual Regional Conference

'Literature Works/LoveBooks' held in partnership with Newcastle City Library service and held at the City Library. Keynote speakers and CPD workshops. *Reduced cost for literature Works schools*

Author and reading offers

Access to Literature Works termly author offers and library events.

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Literature Works website. At the top, there are navigation links: HOME, ABOUT, CONTACT US, and MEMBERS AREA. Below this is a large header with a colorful tree logo and the text 'Literature Works in the North East'. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column has a section titled 'What is Literature Works?' with a small image of a classroom and a paragraph of text. The right column has a section titled 'FOLLOW ME ON TWITTER' with a tweet from Eric Ferguson (@LitWorks_NE) about reading into writing at Timothy Hackworth Primary. Below the tweet is a book cover for 'SUSPENSE' and another tweet from Eric Ferguson about favourite authors at Timothy Hackworth Primary.

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