



# READING AT SACRED HEART

## READING FOR PLEASURE

Children take home a library book linked to reading for pleasure. This is an opportunity to share together a range of fiction/non-fiction and poetry. Children have free choice in this. Reading for pleasure has been shown to improve vocabulary, comprehension and empathy.

## GUIDED READING

Our pupils are supported to read challenging and diverse literature under teacher guidance and develop fluency, comprehension and critical thinking skills.

## INDEPENDENT READING

Children have the opportunity to take home a reading book. They are able to choose from a wide selection of books appropriate for their current age and attainment. The class teacher guides children with making appropriate choices.

## CLASS NOVEL

Each year group has a class novel per half-term. This immersive reading experience is often pitched beyond individual reading levels. Engaging with a class novel promotes listening skills and discussion within the classroom.

## THE ESSENTIAL WRITING CURRICULUM

This offers a wide range of high quality, diverse and inclusive literature, pitched carefully to support the craft of writing.

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ALL THAT WE DO**