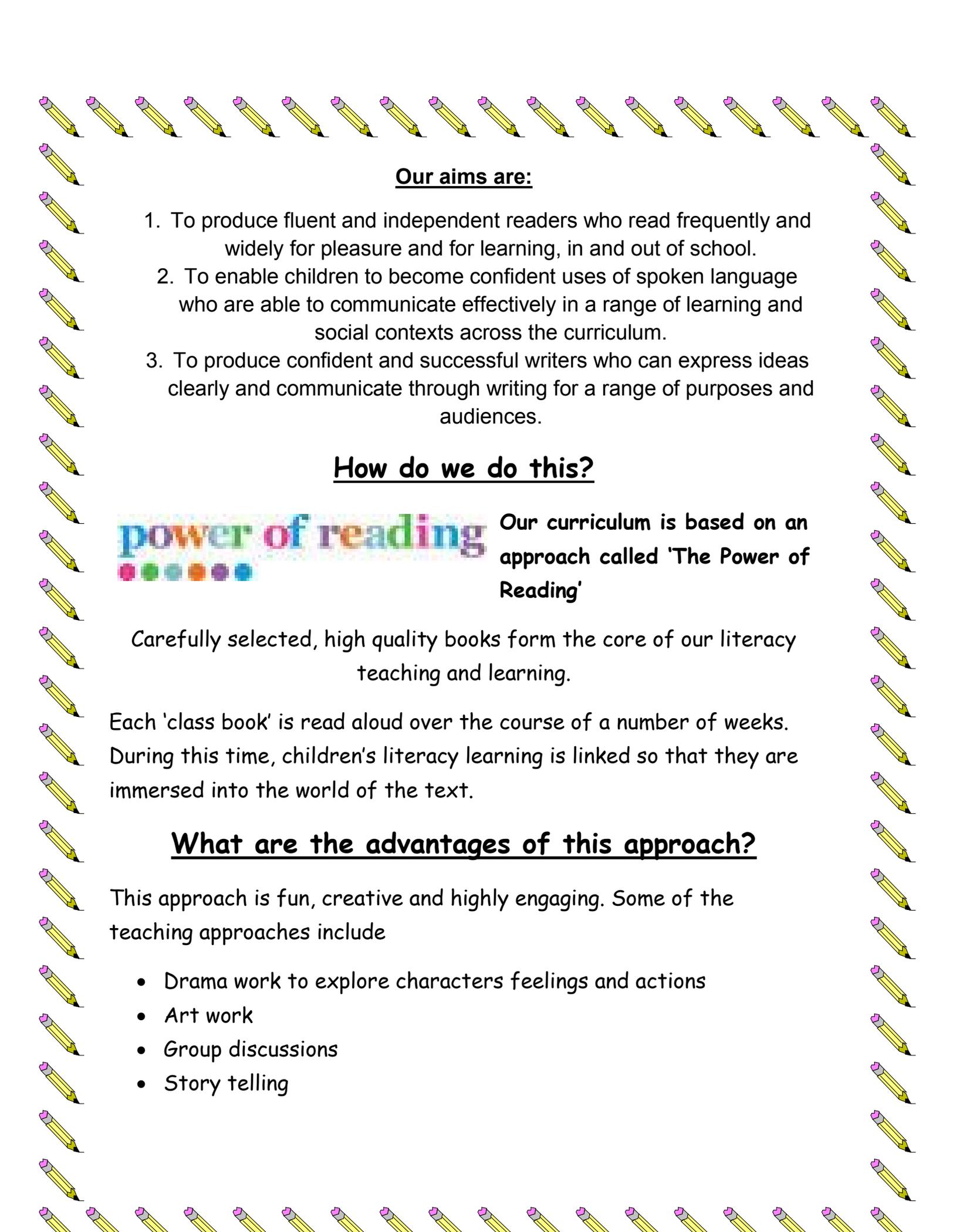


Orchard Primary School



Literacy Curriculum



Our aims are:

1. To produce fluent and independent readers who read frequently and widely for pleasure and for learning, in and out of school.
2. To enable children to become confident users of spoken language who are able to communicate effectively in a range of learning and social contexts across the curriculum.
3. To produce confident and successful writers who can express ideas clearly and communicate through writing for a range of purposes and audiences.

How do we do this?



Our curriculum is based on an approach called 'The Power of Reading'

Carefully selected, high quality books form the core of our literacy teaching and learning.

Each 'class book' is read aloud over the course of a number of weeks. During this time, children's literacy learning is linked so that they are immersed into the world of the text.

What are the advantages of this approach?

This approach is fun, creative and highly engaging. Some of the teaching approaches include

- Drama work to explore characters feelings and actions
- Art work
- Group discussions
- Story telling

Many of the approaches used offer children the opportunity to develop their speaking and listening skills. These skills underpin learning in every subject in school.

High quality talk leads to high quality writing.



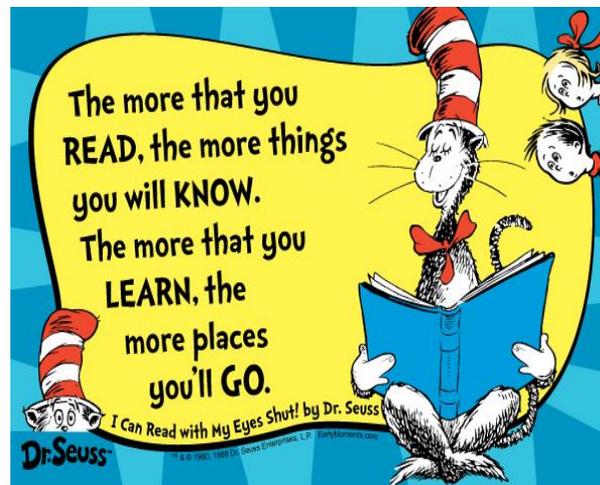
The children also get the opportunity to listen to **high quality books** from a range of authors and it is hoped that this will encourage and enthuse children to **broaden their own reading experiences** and help to

foster a love of reading in all pupils.



How can you support your child with their literacy skills?

- Ask the children to talk about their class book at home. Encourage them to read other books written by the same or similar authors
- Read every day with your child



- Join a local library and encourage your child to read a wide range of reading materials including books, magazines, comics and information books.
- Be a good role model. Children are more likely to read and enjoy reading if they see you doing the same!