

We believe that it is essential for young people to have skills in all aspects of literacy in order to succeed. Reading is fundamental in building all literacy skills and it is crucial to students' education; it is also a vehicle through which individuals can participate in the wider world, share in a range of cultural experiences, learn, develop empathy and communicate their own ideas and feelings. We seek to create a culture in which students are routinely engaged in reading in order to enhance their reading skills, their enjoyment of reading and their motivation to read. We also recognise the importance of ensuring that reading is embedded across the curriculum in all subjects in order to ensure consistency and promote successful outcomes. Other aspects of literacy that we strive to embed and develop across the curriculum include oracy and writing skills, which are particularly important for students' ability to fully participate in and appreciate the wider world.