

## English as an additional Language

Due to the high number of EAL (English as an additional language) children, oracy skills are at the heart of the English curriculum. From the earliest years at Greenmount Primary through to year 6, we develop the children's oracy skills using consistent strategies and techniques. We use our Talk Through Topic and 6 steps of oracy to embed meaningful context, vocabulary and develop oracy skills.

In KS1 and KS2 we provide a variety of learning experiences across the curriculum to develop both their oracy skills and a wide range of vocabulary in spoken language. This is embedded in all classroom provision as well as in enhancement opportunities such as theatre trips, performances, author visits, writing competitions and World Book Day activities.

At Greenmount we have appropriate provision for children who may be new to English as a language or who are new to England. Our provision includes:

- On arrival- translated booklets, translated into over 14 different languages.
- EAL resources such as bi-lingual texts/stories.
- Translated signs in EYFS
- Home Language displays in classrooms.
- Picture communication flashcards to help both the children and staff in the classroom.
- Children are assessed using the EAL Bell's Assessment Framework and appropriate half termly targets are put in place. Children's progress and attainment are closely monitored.
- Differentiated and adapted classroom activities, small group work and use of language development APPs like Duolingo ABC to support children's development of English.

