

Power of Reading / Wordsmith

At Westvale we follow a book approach to teaching English. We implement The Power of Reading created by CLPE (Centre for Literacy in Primary Education) and Wordsmith. They both enable all the teaching and learning, in English, to be centred around one text at a time. We choose Power of Reading for the quality fiction texts that are available to study and Wordsmith for both its fiction and non-fiction books and E-books. These both allow the children to enjoy reading and be fully immersed into a text. The children have a deeper understanding of the variety of texts, author's language, the impact of illustrations and opens the discussion of life experiences. The books that we choose are chosen for the wide range of writing opportunities they offer.

Our book choices enable children to become confident, happy and enthusiastic readers and writers, with all the benefits this brings. This has meant they we have a thorough long term plan for English. Please see our separate book spine for all the books that are studied from Nursery to Year 6 at Westvale.