

Literacy at Trentham Academy

A high standard of literacy is promoted across all curriculum areas. It is essential that students are able to read, write and speak correctly, to enable them to succeed in all subjects.

Parents and Carers can support the progress of their children by ensuring students are reading at home. Students have access to a digital library on their iPads, provided by Browns for Books.

Reading

1. All students are encouraged to read for at least 20 minutes every day.
2. Reading ages are assessed at the start of each school year.
3. Students can select books from our well-stocked digital library, VLe books, or read their own books.
4. Students are encouraged to read out loud in all subject areas.
5. Students are given the opportunity to read their own books independently in English lessons.
6. Students are provided with resources that match their reading age.
7. Reading for pleasure is promoted and encouraged.

Writing

1. Students are encouraged to write in full sentences, using correct punctuation, spelling and grammar, in all subjects.
2. Students check their work for literacy errors, correcting if necessary, before handing in their books.
3. Teachers highlight literacy errors in yellow and students correct them in green pen.

Speaking

1. Teachers model correct Standard English and prompt students to do the same.
2. Students are encouraged to speak in full sentences in all subjects.
3. Students are encouraged to use the correct subject specific terms when speaking.