

Literacy Tree Program at Caradon Academy.

At Caradon Academy, For those pupils not following the Systematic Synthetics Phonics program (SSP) of Read Write Inc. or Fresh Start Programme, we currently follow the Literacy Tree curriculum.

Our Literary Curriculum immerses children in a literary world, therefore creating strong levels of engagement to provide meaningful and authentic contexts for primary English. Through the incorporation of both the Literacy tree 'Writing roots' and 'Literacy Leaves', we can enable our children to become critical readers and acquire an authorial style as they encounter a wide range of significant authors and a variety of fiction, non-fiction and poetry. The primary literacy curriculum at Caradon provides complete coverage of all National Curriculum expectations for writing composition, reading comprehension, grammar, punctuation and vocabulary and all plans lead to purposeful application within a wide variety of written outcomes.

What is Literacy Tree?

Literacy Tree is a complete, book-based platform for primary schools that covers all requirements of the Primary English Curriculum. It can be used as a complete scheme of work or adopted and adapted to suit the needs of our school. The books chosen within the program help children to grow ideas and expand their minds whilst also exposing them to a diverse and significantly important array of children's literature.

The Teach Through a Text Approach from Literacy Tree



What is a Writing Root and Literacy Leaf?

At Caradon Academy we understand how fundamental it is to develop our students core skills within the literacy curriculum which is why the Literacy Tree program works so well for us as a setting.

It starts at the roots! We follow the provided book-based planning sequences, **Writing Roots**, which embed complete curriculum coverage and engage children to write with clear audience and purpose. Embedded within these planned sessions is the 'Teach Through a Text' pedagogy which is the backbone of each sequence.

From here we then grow our pupils literacy knowledge through **Literacy Leaves**. By following a range of sequenced activities which take children through whole books to teach reading comprehension and create critical readers. Literary Leaves use novels, poetry collections and high-quality, non-fiction books that connect to the Writing Roots through Literary Themes.

The Literary Themes we follow are the tree canopy; providing an overarching structure that allows children to make deeper connections through subjects and themes.

Please see the Primary reading spines for the Literacy Tree yearly coverage taught at Caradon Academy and more Information on the Literacy Tree Program is can be found here:

<https://literacytree.com/>

