

# St Anselm's Catholic Primary School

Learning and growing together through prayer, belief and love

## Reading Standards for the National Curriculum Year 3

### Year 3 Expectations: Word Reading

- Apply knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes to read aloud and to understand the meaning of unfamiliar words
- Read further exception words, noting the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound, and where these occur in the word
- Attempt pronunciation of unfamiliar words drawing on prior knowledge of similar looking words

### Year 3 Expectations: Reading Comprehension

- Experience and discuss a range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks
- Know that non-fiction books are structured in different ways and be able to use them effectively
- Begin to understand that narrative books are structured in different ways , for example, quest stories and stories with dilemmas
- Ask questions to improve understanding of a text
- Predict what might happen from details stated

### Year 3 Expectations:

#### Reading Comprehension (continued)

- Draw inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions
- Use dictionaries to check the meaning of unfamiliar words
- Identify main idea of a text
- Identify how structure and presentation contribute to the meaning of texts
- Retrieve and record information from non-fiction
- Discuss books, poems and other works that are read aloud and independently, taking turns and listening to others' opinions
- Explain and discuss understanding of books, poems and other material, both those read aloud and those read independently
- Prepare poems to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action