



LIBRARY POLICY

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DEFINITIONS

The following terms shall have the following meanings for the purposes of this document:

the School means Clifton All Saints Academy

POLICY FOR THE USE OF THE LIBRARY

See also the school English Policy

The development of reading skills is crucial to the intellectual development of the children. They need to experience a range of texts and literature to stimulate their interest in, and enthusiasm for, reading. They need to be shown how to find a book on a particular subject or by a particular author.

The School aims to provide an attractive, well-stocked and well organised library. The children will have opportunities to visit and use the library to develop their skills and to enjoy the books.

BROAD AIMS

- To develop in children a sense of enjoyment, love and respect for books.
- To encourage the children to become thoughtful, discriminating, questioning readers.
- To provide a wide range of attractive, up to-date, high quality nonfiction and fiction texts, appropriate for the abilities and interests of the children.
- To provide a range of texts, including media texts.
- To organise these materials in a systematic, standard way and to teach the children how to find and use them.
- To set the teaching of access skills in a purposeful context through providing opportunities where children need to find out information.
- To maintain communication with the Schools' Library Service to support and enhance the provision the School makes.
- To update and maintain mini collections, for use in classrooms to support topic work.
- To maintain links with the local Library.
- To encourage the children to make regular visits to a local Library.

Each class will have a timetabled slot to visit the Library each week to return books and choose new books to borrow. Library skills will be taught or revised with each class by the Librarian at the start of each year with a view to the children becoming independent borrowers.

Junior Librarian is the computer system used to organise the School library and this is provided through an annual licence for the School.