



Our Approach to Teaching Grammar

At Whitehall Junior School, we are committed to providing our pupils with a well-rounded education. Our curriculum is planned in a logical and well-considered way, to enable pupils to build upon their skills and have a secure knowledge base from which connections in learning are made. We use 'beautiful' resources from credible sources to enrich our lessons.

What is the big picture for grammar?

All children leave key stage 2 literate, able to express their views and ideas verbally and on paper. They should be able to use a range of styles, knowing when each is appropriate.

What is magical about it?

Grammar is precise and empowering! It gives pupils the opportunity to freely and creatively express themselves. Words give power.

Why is grammar an important subject to learn?

Grammar impacts a child's whole life. It gives clarity in their communication and increases accessibility for all.

'Your grammar is a reflection of your image. Good or bad, you have made an impression. And like all impressions, you are in total control.' Jeffrey Gitomer

What do we love about grammar?

- Playing with words and context!
- Thinking about its impact.
- Spotting examples of good and bad grammar.

How do we want our pupils to talk about grammar?

- With enthusiasm!
- Knowledgeably, using the correct vocabulary.

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Week 1	Introduce the objective. Develop essential knowledge and explicitly teach the skill.
Week 2	Little and often activities designed to make the learning active and memorable.
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Week 4	Finding examples in reading.
Week 5	Applying the skill in writing.
Week 6	Assessment of objective.
	Throughout each six week unit there will be opportunities to revisit previous objectives and also to look forward to the next objective.