Reading Journals - Year 3 and 4 Children complete reading journal activities after finishing a book. These are linked to our Reading Gems. (Reading Domains) and our Stepping Stone assessments.

Reading Journals - Year 5 and 6 Children complete reading journal activities weekly on a random Reading Gem. (Reading Domains) and our Stepping Stone assessments.

Book Talk (Guided Reading) Book Talk takes place 4 x per week where the children read texts and discuss them using our Reading Gems.

### **Reading Intervention**

Reading intervention occurs across the school for children who need it. E.G. Read. Write Inc. Fresh Start. Comprehension Express **Reading Intervention** Children who do Read. Write Inc intervention are also able to take home

their books to practice their phonics.

### Comprehension

Comprehension is taught once a week. The lessons focus on our Reading Gems. One Gem or multiple Gems can be focused upon.

Comprehensions are done regularly - focusing on retrieve, infer, define and compare. Cross-curricular comprehensions also take place - linking to our history/geography/science topics.

# **Reading at Uplands**

What does it look like?

## Part 1

Reading is a fundamental skill that crosses over many subjects. Reading is prioritised to allow pupils to access the full curriculum.

### Book Talk Books

Children read a variety of books during this reading session. (Fiction, Non-Fiction, Poetry) Sometimes the whole class will have the same book; other times different tables will have different books depending on the children's reading age. These are regularly updated.

### Other Cross-Curricular Links

Reading activities (focusing on the Reading Gems) are planned for, linked to our topics, which are completed during our creative curriculum lessons.

### Amount of Reading

As well as reading during Book Talk, children read regularly at Uplands. The lower the children's reading age the more times they are heard read.

### Children's Reading Books

After completing the NGRT reading tests children are allocated a reading shelf. This allows children to then choose books from a progressive reading collection with a broad range of books available.

### Free Readers

When the children reach a reading age of 9  $\frac{1}{2}$  years they then go onto free readers. This is where the children choose to read books from our library, our reading corners, and books from home as their reading book.