



English Hubs

St. Michael's English Hub



What is an English Hub?

St Michael's C of E Primary School at Bishop Middleham, have been named by the DfE as one of 32 English Hubs across England

The English Hub exists to promote three priority areas:

1. Early language development

Providing evidence-based approaches to early language development.

2. Age-appropriate phonics

Encouraging best practice in systematic synthetic phonics through fidelity to one system and the use of decodable books.

3. Promoting a love of reading

Supporting whole-school reading approaches.

Financial Support

As a funded initiative, we are offering schools match-funding to purchase resources up to the value of **£3000** per school.

However, if schools meet two of the following criteria our hub will have the discretion to offer outright funding to the value of **£6000**.

- Phonics Screening Check below National average
- Ofsted Requires Improvement or Inadequate
- Above average numbers of pupils eligible for Pupil Premium
- The school is an Opportunity Area

Our Literacy Specialists will be there to support your school with **no cost**.

Which schools can access support?

Our Areas: Durham—Darlington—Gateshead—Newcastle—North Tyneside—South Tyneside— Northumberland

Support Route One

Some schools have been identified by the DfE as potentially benefiting from support of an English Hub.

Support Route Two

Other schools will be identified by the Local Authority as potentially benefiting from support.

Support Route Three

Any school can request support from an English Hub

How can you get involved?

Step One

Book your place(s) on one of our **FREE open events**, complete a 'Self-referral Form' and email it over.

You will then receive an audit to complete.

Step Two

Attend our **FREE open event** with the completed audit where you will have the opportunity to speak to our experts and observe phonics in action.

Step Three

Request **FREE support**, resources and CPD in your school action plan.

Step Four

Action plans will be reviewed by the hub and resources will be allocated to schools based on need.

Step Five

Schools will be offered **FREE additional support** from our dedicated 'Literacy Specialists'.

Find out more

