

PRIMARY 1 ENGLISH LANGUAGE

2015



PROGRAMME

- Mission & Approach to EL teaching
- What is STELLAR?
- STELLAR & language learning
- Assessment Matters
- STELLAR & Parents

Mission

- To equip our pupils with literary skills that enable them to be **linguistically competent** and **confident users** of the English Language

Approach to EL Teaching

“A Strong Foundation and Rich Language for All”.

Approach to EL Teaching

- systematic and explicit instruction
- a contextualised and holistic approach to learning

Approach to EL Teaching

The foundation of language learning will be strengthened through:

- oral communication (listening and speaking skills)
- grammatical items associated with texts.

Approach to EL Teaching

- systematic & explicit grammar instruction
- skills for acquiring reading fluency, comprehension
- viewing skills

Approach to EL Teaching

- word study skills
- writing skills



DRAMA

***“Tell me and I'll forget;
show me and I may remember;
involve me and I'll understand.”
Chinese Proverb***

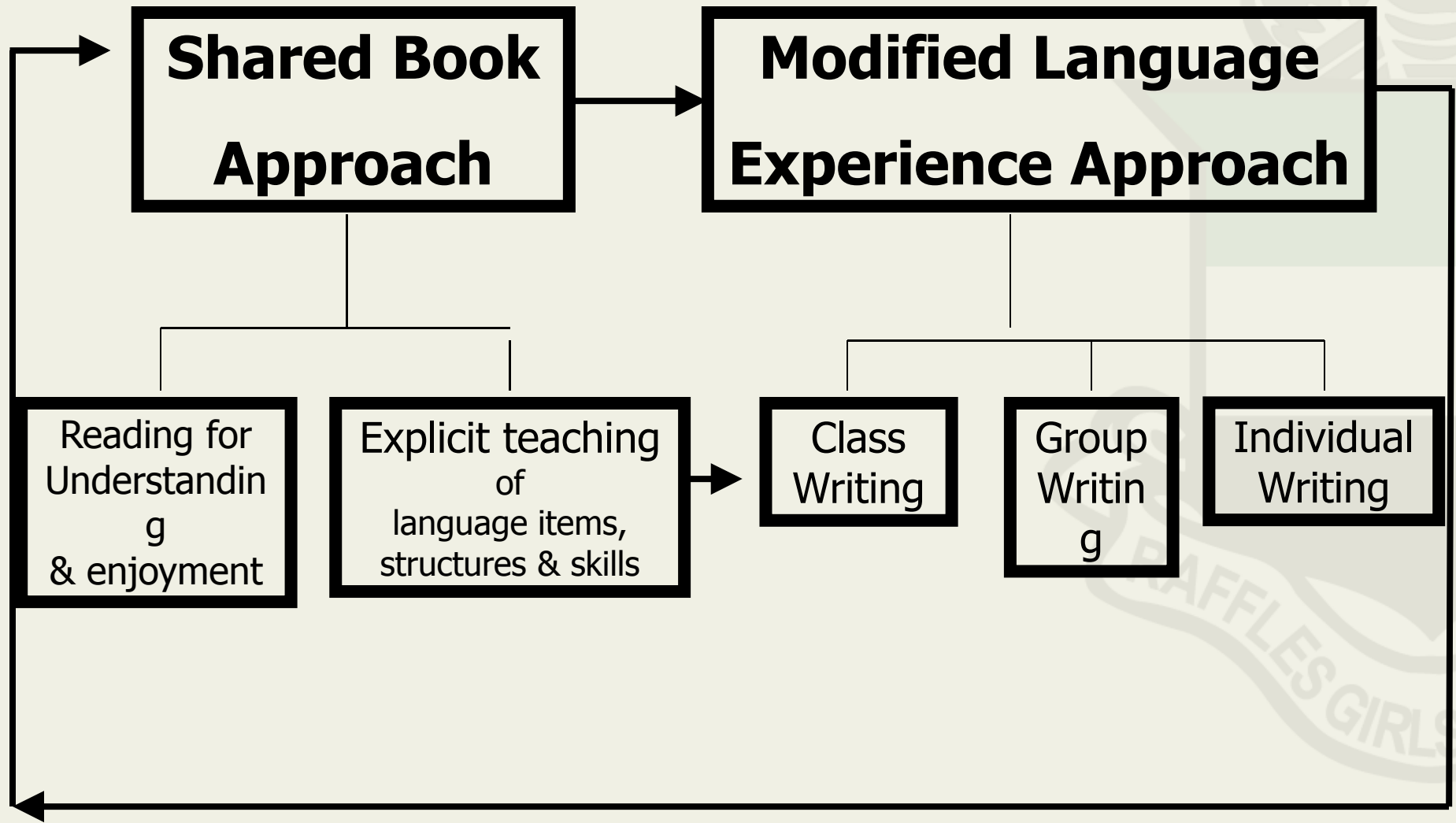
- **Adopts a learner-centred approach**
- **Develops linguistic skills (reading, writing, speaking and listening)**

STELLAR

Strategies for ***E***nglish ***L***anguage ***L***earning ***A***nd ***R***eading



STELLAR PEDAGOGIC FRAMEWORK



Each STELLAR Unit includes...

- **Focused Reading using Big Books**

😊 reading for enjoyment

😊 reading for knowledge

Each STELLAR Unit includes...

- **Key Teaching Points**

- ☺ concepts about print: (*i.e. spacing between words, reading from left to right, punctuation*)
- ☺ vocabulary (*i.e. meaning of words, phrases*)

Each STELLAR Unit includes...

☺ word identification activities
(i.e. spelling patterns, letter-sound relationships)

☺ grammar *(i.e. present tense, past tense, singular/plural forms)*

Each STELLAR Unit includes...

- **Development of the four language skills**
 - ☺ listening
 - ☺ speaking
 - ☺ reading
 - ☺ writing

Each STELLAR Unit includes...

- **Development of social skills:**

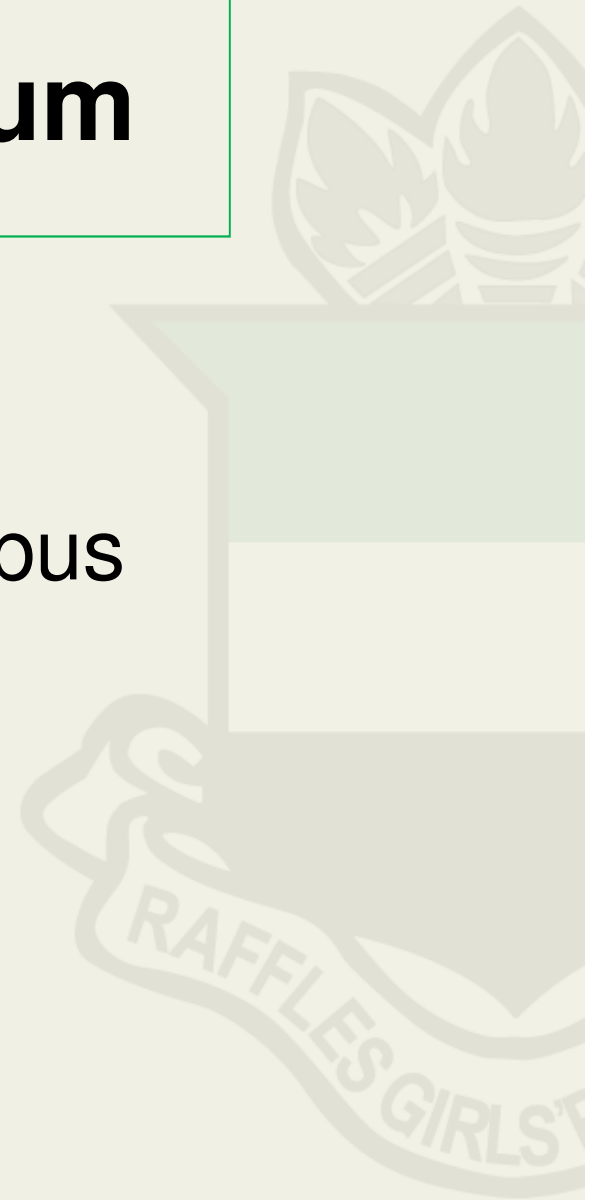
- ☺ oral interaction among peers in non-threatening situations
- ☺ working in partnership with other children
- ☺ turn taking & respect for others during class discussions

Each STELLAR Unit includes...

- **Independent learning**
 - ☺ individual reading
 - ☺ individual writing

STELLAR Curriculum

- comprehensive
- supports the current syllabus
- moves learners towards independence



P1 Programmes

- *Literature In Action Programme*
- *Speech Enrichment Lessons*



Assessment Format

Mode of Assessment	T 1	T 2 (%)	T3 (%)	T4 (%)	Sub-Total (%)	Total (%)
Performance Tasks	-	15	15	20	50	100
Review Assessment	-	15	15	20	50	

Skills	Term 1	Term 2	30%
Speaking	Show-and-Tell	Show-and-Tell	5%
Reading	Reading Task	Reading Task	5%
Listening	Listening Task	Listening Task	5%
Writing	Penmanship	Group Writing	
Language Use	Review Assessment Practice	Review Assessment 1 - Grammar, Vocabulary, Comprehension & Spelling	15%

SHOW and TELL Rubrics

1.	Presents ideas in an appropriate order	Consistently	Occasionally	Seldom
2.	Gives complete relevant statements	5 and more complete sentences	3-4 complete sentences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1-2 complete sentences ○ Mostly incomplete sentences
3.	Maintains frequent eye contact	Most of the time	Sometimes	Minimum
4.	Uses an audible voice	Loud	Moderately audible	Inaudible at times
5.	Speaks expressively	Confident use of expression	Moderate use of expression	Limited use of expression

Examples of Language Use Items

Circle the word that matches the picture



truck

aeroplane

helicopter

motorcycle

Examples of Language Use Items

There is _____ umbrella behind the door.

(1) a

(2) an

(3) the

(4) some

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STELLAR and Parents' Support

- Home support
- Activate child's interest

STELLAR and Parents' Support

- Role models
- Understanding

How you can help your child

- Go to the library together
- Have lots of books, magazines and newspapers in your home
- Give your child books about their special interests

How you can help your child

- Allow your child to choose books to read and reread
- Read to and with your child
- Talk about the books and characters read

Some language activities you can do with your child include...

- Playing language games
- Reading aloud a book

Some language activities you can do with your child include...

- Helping her learn more interesting words
- Getting her to retell a story
- Suggesting that she give a different ending

Word of Caution...

- Children need support and encouragement
- Doing lots of worksheets and homework could create negative association with school

THANK YOU

