

## Willow Tree Academy



# Oracy Statement of Intent, Implementation & Impact

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Oracy at Willow Tree is the ability to express oneself fluently and grammatically in speech. It is the ability of our children to find their voices both metaphorically and physically. It underpins everything we do, as communicators, but doesn't necessarily happen by chance - and should be planned for strategically. Talk 4 writing is an excellent opportunity to model spoken language but that is not where oracy ends.

Exploratory talk is typical of the early stages of approaching new ideas: it is hesitant and incomplete as it allows the speaker to try out ideas, how they sound, to see what others make of them, to arrange information and ideas into different patterns. The speaker is mainly concerned with organising his or her own thoughts.

In Presentational talk, the speaker's attention is primarily focused on adjusting the language, context and manner to the needs of the audience

Oracy is vitally important as it is the key to expressing ideas, displaying communication skills, academic standards, social mobility employability, wellbeing, self esteem and confidence.

