

Curriculum design, LTP & Vocabulary Progression 2020/2021

Our professionals have the highest expectation that all children will become confident, independent writers by the end of KS1 with a sufficient knowledge and understanding of the English language. By the end of KS2, we aspire for all children to be creative authors by providing a wide range of writing experiences which further develop their knowledge, skills and techniques. Our core texts approach not only engages the children and encourages them to write for relevant and meaningful purposes, but it also provides children with a knowledge of enriched vocabulary to produce well-structured writing of a consistently high standard.

The intent behind our writing approach is to:

- Develop a love for writing with a sense of pride when children publish their work.
- Provide a clear sequence, building on children's prior knowledge and skills, and making meaningful connections with reading.
- In KS1 and KS2, teach national curriculum objectives in meaningful and inspiring ways.
- Children to structure and organise their writing to suit the genre they are writing and to include a variety of sentence structures.
- Children to have a sophisticated bank of vocabulary and an excellent knowledge of writing techniques.
- Use a consistent approach to teaching spelling.
- Develop skills to create confident and independent writers, who would have the ability to write with fluency. They will display excellent transcription skills that ensure their writing is well presented. They will strive to improve their writing so every piece of writing they produce is to the best of their ability and better than the last.

Writing is **implemented** through carefully selected, quality texts that inspire our teachers and provide our pupils with a desire to learn. We endeavour to create meaningful learning contexts where reading and writing are enhanced and developed simultaneously. It is our high expectations which ensure our pupils produce the standard and quality of knowledgeable writers.

- Our children develop their knowledge of writing by exploring a range of genres throughout their primary education. We implement a range of strategies to support this including text-marking, oral discussions and teacher modelling.
- In EYFS and Key Stage One, writing lessons are based around a book which often link to the inspiring topics children are learning across the rest of the curriculum. Each book starts with a 'hook'; a captivating and inspiring introduction such as a visit, visitor or even a space crash.
- In KS1, teachers follow a carefully planned teaching sequence which allows children to become familiar with the characters, setting, plot and storyline.
 Key writing techniques are then explored to ensure pupils develop a strong understanding of these before creating an extended piece of writing that aims to include these. This is completed within a daily lesson with the text as a focus for three to four weeks.
- Teachers 'challenge' children by giving them immediate, direct feedback. We put great emphasis on children taking pride in their writing and having a critical, editorial eye to create the best work they can.
- In the early stages of EYFS mark-making is highly valued and writing is implemented in the moment, engaging children in purposeful writing through their play. Adult modelling is key to children segmenting words accurately and forming letters correctly. Environment enhancements always include chances for writing and we place great emphasis on ensuring children are exposed to rich and aspirational vocabulary.
- In EYFS, well-sequenced phonics teaching supports letter formation and spelling of words. We follow 'Letters and Sounds' and writing is an important and valued part of each phonics session. To provide the best support possible for our Reception pupils in their own writing development, teachers



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plan small group writing sessions where specific skills are directly taught. These groupings are meticulously informed by assessments and ensure that all children receive the intervention necessary to achieve a good level of development in literacy.

The **impact** of our writing approach is that children are confident, enthusiastic writers who recognise how writing can impact on people's lives.

What our children say:

Children in KS1 have a very positive attitude to writing; the majority saying that they 'love' writing and that they are 'good' at writing. Those who said they didn't like writing often explained that it 'hurt' their hands. The children varied in their responses as to how they could improve their writing. In Year 2 most cited it was their handwriting, but in Year 1 this was the least common response with spelling, sentences and ideas being given much more frequently. In both year groups, the children enjoy writing stories the most but they also recognised this as the hardest text type to write. The overwhelming majority saw writing as important so that they could get a job in the future. In Year 2, some children also felt it was important so that they could share their ideas with other people. No one identified it with being able to pass a test. KS1 children see writers as creative, clever people. They enjoy the opportunity to write their own ideas and would welcome more opportunities for writing outside of lesson times.



EYFS/KS1	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 1	Writing Experiences	Writing Experiences	Writing Experiences
	1.Basic skills – simple sentences.	Beegu	The Tiny Seed
	2. Ugly Duckling	Lists, instructions, planet descriptions,	Instruction writing,
	3. Three Little Pigs	directions.	Plant fact files.
	Character descriptions and story	Toys in Space	Peter Pan
	writing.	Letters, character descriptions, story.	Pirate poems.
	There are no dragons in this story.	Gruffalo	Character descriptions.
	Character descriptions.	Percy the Park Keeper.	Re telling favourite part of the story.
	Instructions and lists.	Animal fact files, non – fiction texts, animal	
	Own dragon Story.	story.	Skills to be developed:
	Skills to be developed:	Skills to be developed:	When children are ready begin to add pre cursive examples into books.
	Sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably.	Continue to focus on letter formation – starting in the correct place form lower case	HAPS – basic joins.
	Begin to form lower case letters	letters correctly. Introduce writing the long date – Form digits 0	Rest – make sure children are secure with letter formation
	correctly. Begin to form capital letters.	-9. When children are ready begin to add pre	Children to become confident using alternative sounds to spell correctly.
	Use phoneme fingers to spell words.	cursive examples into books.	Plurals es
	Spell common exception words.	Continue to consolidate skills from Autumn Term.	Suffixes er, est. This plant is the tallest. It is taller
	Name letters of the alphabet.		Focus – spelling.
	Introduce plurals s.		



Use prefix un – unhappy.	Big focus on spelling – make sure phonetically plausible, using some of the	Using plurals, pre fixes and suffixes confidently in work	
Introduce ed – excited.	phone ically plausible, using some of the phase 5 taught.	,	
Say out loud what they are going to be writing about. Compose the sentence orally.	Children to spell common exception words. Name letters of the alphabet.	Encourage children to read their writing clearly enough to be heard by their peers and teachers. – Read instructions to friends when planting.	
Story writing – beginning to sequence short sentences to form	Now writing the long date – Spelling days of the week.	Continue with editing.	
short narratives. Discuss what they have written.	Use ing – How are you feeling? Recapping ed – worried, scared, looked etc.	Sequencing sentences to form short narratives.	
Simple editing introduced – capital letters and full stops.	Use un – unfortunately in story writing.	Sequencing sentences to form short narratives.	
Consolidate skills from Autumn 1.	Phonetically plausible attempt – children to begin to use alternative phase 5 sounds in	Re-reading what they have written to check that it makes sense.	
Encourage children to read their writing clearly enough to be heard by their peers and teachers. – Perform	writing. Use letter names to determine alternative spellings.	Discuss what they have written with the teacher or other pupils. Read their writing aloud, clearly enough to	
dragon poems.	Big focus on editing correctly – Begin to re -	be heard by their peers and the teacher.	
Basic skills – Begin to punctuate sentences using, finger spaces and full stops.	read to check what they have written makes sense. To help with this make sure children are saying their orally as they write.	Be confident using different punctuation – question marks, exclamation marks. HAPS-apostrophes and commas.	
Join words and joining clauses using and. HAPS – because.	Sequencing sentences to form short narratives.	Use capital letters for names, personal pronoun I and days of the week. Now for	
Begin to use question marks.	Begin to use different punctuation – question	names – London, Neverland.	
Use of adjectives – character	marks, exclamation marks. HAPS-	Adjectives.	
descriptions.	apostrophes and commas.	Use of and and because.	
Different ways of starting a story.	Use capital letters for names, personal pronoun I and days of the week.	Use different sentence starters	
Use of adjectives for character descriptions.	Time connectives – instructions.		
Use of and and because.	Use capital letters for names, personal		
Use of time connectives –	pronoun I and days of the week.		
instructions.	Adjectives.		



		Use of and and because.	
		Start sentences in different ways.	
Writing Vocabulary	Sentence letter, grapheme, verb, adjective, conjunction, punctuation, full stop, question mark, finger spaces, exclamation mark, capital letter, synonym, description, alphabet, formation, label, write New Vocab plural, pre fix , suffix, words, clauses, singular, plural, conjunction, time conjunction, comma, speech marks, edit, lower case letters, pre cursive		



EYFS/KS1	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Year 2	Writing Experiences	Writing Experiences	Writing Experiences
	Jack and the Beanstalk.	Great fire of London	Emperors Egg
	Alternative story endings.	Historical diary entry.	Poems
	Character descriptions.	Poetry	Explanation
		Instructions	Posters
	The Tiny Seed (catch-up from Y1)		Stories
	Setting descriptions	Meerkat Mail	The Lonely Beast.
	Instructions	Top trump cards – animal facts.	Character descriptions
		Postcards.	Recounts.
	Paddington	Story about Sunny.	
	Character descriptions.		
	Story mapping.		
	Persuasive letters.		Skills to be developed:
		Skills to be developed:	Consolidation of skill – Spring Term.
	Man on the Moon. Leaflet Instructions narratives	Consolidation of new skills leant in Spring One. Continue to join using some of the diagonal and horizontal strokes, now think about which letters are best left unjoined.	Big push on the size of the letters – HAPS make sure writing is not going to small. using some of the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to
	Skills to be developed: Consolidating skills from year one.	Write capital letters abs digits in the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower case letters. Use spacing between words that reflects the	one another, are best left unjoined Write from memory simple sentences dictated by the teacher that include words using the GPCs, common exception words and punctuation taught so far
		size of the letters.	Spell Year Two common exception words.



Form lower case letters of correct size relative to one	•	push on the size of the letters – HAPS se sure writing is not going to small.	Suffixes ment, ness, ful, ly, less. Write a simple, coherent narrative about	
Correct and phonetically plattempts at spelling.	ausible Chil	ldren are expected to be spelling more urately – segmenting spoken words into	their own and others' experiences after discussion with the teacher. (personal experiences, real or fictional events.	
Building on Year One sufficiency ing, est, ed.		nemes and representing these by ohemes, spelling many correctly.	Read aloud what they have written with	
Using spoken language to understanding through ima	aoroiop	drop to apoll Voor Two common	appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear.	
and exploring ideas.	Add	I suffixes – ment, ness, ful, less, ly.	Continue to develop year 2 punctuation – new and familiar.	
Planning what they are goi – saying out loud what the	GIVI	Giving well structured descriptions,	Use past and present tense correctly.	
going to write about.	purp	lanations and narratives for different poses, including expressions of feelings.	Use subordination and coordination accurately.	
Write down key ideas/ wor including new vocabulary.	Say	out loud what they are going to write ut. Composing a sentence orally before		
Begin to edit work – focus spelling and punctuation.	on writi	writing it.		
Re read to check that writin sense and that verbs indic	ng makes voca ating time to he	ting ideas down and key words/ new abulary. Begin to use relevant strategies elp build up their vocabulary.		
are used consistently and Write a simple narratives a		ting – make simple additions, revisions corrections to their own writing.		
personal experiences and those of others. Real or fictional – beginning to build up stamina for writing.		luate their writing with other pupils and teacher.		
Punctuating sentences cor capital letter and full stops	rectly – verb	read and check that it makes sense – use os to indicate time are used correctly and sistently, including verbs in the		
? – Paddington	cont	tinuous form.		
! – command sentences		of read to check for errors in spelling, mmar and punctuation.		
Introduce – subordination (wnen, It,	·		
that, because) and coordin and, but)	•	ite simple narratives about personal eriences and that of others – real or		



	Begin to use expanded noun phrases. Begin to use some past and present tense Begin to join using horizontal and diagonal strokes. Begin to spell Year Two common exception words. Suffixes – ing, ed, ful, ness, ly. Write simple narratives about personal experiences and that of others – real or fictional. Writing for different purposes. Non chronological reports. Developing and exploring new vocabulary. Use sentences with different forms – statement, question, exclamation, commands. Focus – using the correct conjunctions.	fictional. Writing for different purposes. Non chronological reports. Encapsulating what they want to say, sentence by sentence. Continue to embed editing/ proof reading skills. Understand and use the terminology – statement, questions, exclamation, command, compound, suffix, adjective, adverb verb. Use and understand how to use an adverb – add ly to change an adjective into an adverb. Use these into a sentence. Begin to use speech marks. Use commas for lists and apostrophes for contracted forms and the possessive.	
Writing Vocabulary	Sentence letter, grapheme, verb, adjective, conjunction, punctuation, full stop, question mark, finger spaces, exclamation mark, capital letter, synonym, description, alphabet, formation, label, write New Vocab nouns, noun phrases, subordination, coordination, statement, questions, exclamation, command, past, present, progressive, adverb, apostrophe, proof reading, cursive, join.		