Whole School

Writing Progression

	EYFS	Year I	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Composition	 Writing ELG Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others 	 Write simple stories about themselves and others Compose a sentence orally before writing it Sequence sentences to form short narratives Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense 	 Write simple, coherent narratives about themselves and others (real or fictional) Write about real events in a clear and simple way Write for different purposes Re-read writing to check it makes sense and to check for mistakes Proof read writing so they can edit and improve Read writing aloud with intonation Evaluate writing with a teacher or other pupils 	 Write for a range of purposes Organise writing into paragraphs, sometime correctly Use appropriate pronouns to avoid repetition Discuss and record ideas to plan Use a range of creative and interesting vocabulary Evaluate effectiveness of writing and suggest improvements Proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors Read writing aloud, to a group or whole class, using intonation 	 Write for a range of purposes Organise writing into paragraphs Use appropriate pronouns to avoid repetition Discuss and record detailed ideas to plan Use a wider range of creative and interesting vocabulary Evaluate effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggest improvements Proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors Propose changes to grammar and vocabulary to improve consistency Read writing aloud, to a group or whole class, using intonation and controlling the tones and volume 	 Write for a range of purposes and audiences Organise writing into paragraphs Use appropriate pronouns to avoid repetition Describe settings, characters and atmosphere Integrate dialogue to convey character Select appropriate vocabulary and grammar for effect Use a range of organisational and presentational devices to structure text Plan writing by noting and developing ideas Evaluate effectiveness of their own and others' writing, propose changes and feedback constructively Proof read for spelling and punctuation errors Perform writing using intonation, volume and movement 	 Write effectively for a range of purposes and audiences, making sure language shows an understanding of the person reading it Organise writing into paragraphs Use appropriate pronouns to avoid repetition Describe settings, characters and atmosphere Integrate dialogue to convey character and advance the action Select appropriate vocabulary and grammatical structures that reflect what the writing requires Use a wider range of organisational and presentational devices to structure text Plan writing by noting and developing initial ideas concisely and effectively Evaluate effectiveness of their own and others' writing, propose changes and feedback constructively Proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors Perform writing using intonation, volume and movement
Punctuation		Sometimes correctly: • Capital letters • Capital letter for the pronoun 'l' • Capital letters for proper nouns	 Capital letters and full stops mostly correctly Question marks when needed Exclamation marks when needed 	 Mostly correctly: Full stops and capital letters Question marks and exclamation marks Commas in a list 	 Mostly correctly: Full stops and capital letters Question marks and exclamation marks Commas in a list 	 Use punctuation taught at KS1 accurately and consistently A.?!' (for contraction) Mostly correctly: Inverted commas 	 Use punctuation taught at KS1 accurately and consistently A.?!' (for contraction) Mostly correctly: Inverted commas

		 Full stops Question marks Exclamation marks 	 Apostrophes for contractions sometimes correctly Apostrophes for possession sometimes correctly Commas in a list sometimes correctly Inverted commas sometimes correctly 	 Apostrophes for contractions Apostrophes for singular and plural possession Inverted commas Commas for expanded noun phrases 	 Apostrophes for contractions Apostrophes for singular and plural possession Inverted commas Commas for fronted adverbials 	 Apostrophes for singular and plural possession Commas for fronted adverbials Commas for clauses Commas in a list Parenthesis () - , Commas for clarity 	 Apostrophes for singular and plural possession Commas for fronted adverbials Commas for clauses Commas in a list Parenthesis () - , Commas for clarity Hyphens Semi-colons Colons
Grammar		 Sometimes use past and present tense correctly Use 'and' to join sentences Sometimes use noun phrases to add description 	 Past and present tense mostly correctly Co-ordinating conjunctions Subordinating conjunctions Expanded noun phrases for description Adverbs to add description and detail Different sentence types (statement, question, exclamation, command) 	 Correct tenses mostly accurately and consistently A range of co- ordinating conjunctions A range of subordinating conjunctions Expanded noun phrases to describe settings and characters Adverbials to express time, reason and place Different sentence types (statement, question, exclamation, command) 	 Use tenses accurately and consistently Wider range of co- ordinating conjunctions Wider range of subordinating conjunctions Expanded noun phrases to describe settings and characters Fronted adverbials Adverbials for time, reason, manner and place Different sentence types (statement, question, exclamation, command) 	 Use past and present tense accurately and consistently in a sustained piece of writing Use co-ordinating conjunctions effectively Use subordinating conjunctions effectively Range of adverbials for time, reason, manner and place Range of clause structures and vary their position (fronted adverbials and relative clauses) Modal verbs to indicate possibility 	 Use verb tenses accurately and consistently in a sustained piece of writing Use a range of co- ordinating conjunctions effectively Use a range of subordinating conjunctions effectively Range of adverbials for time, reason, manner and place Range of clause structures and vary their positions (fronted adverbials and relative clauses) Modal verbs to indicate possibility
Handwriting	 Writing ELG Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed Physical Development – Fine Motor Skills ELG Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing 	 Correctly size and form some letters and digits, including some capital letters Use finger spaces 	 Form letters, including capital letters, and digits of the correct size and orientation Use spaces between words that reflects the size of the letters 	 Use diagonal and horizontal strokes to join some letters Write neatly and legibly 	 Use diagonal and horizontal strokes to join most letters Write neatly and legibly Increase consistency by using equal spacing and parallel and equidistant lines for ascenders and descenders 	 Write neatly and legibly with joined letters Join letters and know which letters to leave unjoined Write legibly at a good pace 	 Write neatly and legibly with joined letters Maintain legibility in joined handwriting when writing at speed

Spelling	Writing ELG Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters	 Segment spoken words into phonemes and represent these by graphemes, sometimes spelling them correctly Spell some of the common exception words Add 's' or 'es' to pluralises nouns 	 Segment spoken words into phonemes and represent these by graphemes, spelling many correctly and making plausible attempts at others Spell many common exception words Add common suffixes to root words 	 Spell some of the Year 3/4 spelling words correctly Use prefixes and suffixes to root words Distinguish between homophones and near-homophones and spell some correctly Use a dictionary to check the spelling of uncommon or ambitious words 	 Spell most of the Year 3/4 spelling words correctly Use further prefixes and suffixes and understand how to add them to more complicated root words Spell further homophones correctly Use a dictionary to check the spelling of uncommon or more ambitious words 	 Spell most of the Year 3/4 spelling words correctly Spell some of the Year 5/6 spelling words correctly Use further prefixes and suffixes and understand how to add them to more complicated root words Spell a wide range of homophones correctly Use a dictionary to check the spelling of uncommon or more ambitious words 	 Spell most of the Year 3/4 spelling words correctly Spell most of the Year 5/6 spelling words correctly Use further prefixes and suffixes and understand how to add them to more complicated root words Spell a wide range of homophones correctly Use a dictionary to check the spelling of uncommon or more ambitious words
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