

Writing overview 2024_25

Writing Early Years

Early years literacy and development begins with language comprehension (brackets necessary for both reading and writing). Staff talk to children about books and enjoy songs, rhymes and story time together. Knowing familiar stories helps children to create and start to write stories of their own. Writing activities include physical skills and letter formation. Opportunities to write are within the continuous provision and taught within teacher-led writing sessions. Children reach an expected level of development by writing recognisable letters, spelling words and identifying sounds and writing simple phrases and sentences. Texts are linked to the connected curriculum, traditional stories and fairy tales and events.

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		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Inform		Toys Forky Instructions Letter to Santa How to make a crocodile puppet Paddington and the Grand tour How to plant cress seeds	Fun Days Out History of cars Animals How to make	Goldilocks and the three bears newspaper report Report about electricity Iron Age/Stone Age Instructions for cake Recounts	WW1 Diary Black History Month Mildenhall Roman Artefacts The human body Scurvy Diary Dear Earth Letter Save the Planet Report	World Cup Biography Newspaper report Celebration Festival – Christmas Dear Earth/Save our Planet Instructions Letter Report – Flight 865	Letter to Dobby Recount - Windrush Biographies Biographical writing
Entertain		Rosa Parks Goldy Locks and the 3 bears Three Billy Goats Gruff The three Little Pigs Little Red Riding Hood My Christmas Holiday The Snail and the Whale	Mrs Armitage Rainbow poem Festivals	Anansi stories Time machine Osiris Mayan Creation Story Adventure Story The Window Recycling Bug's Life Story Minibeast Poetry Trip recount Toy Story Wolves and the Giants	The forest The drum story Beowulf Viking Saga of Bjorn Character descriptions (Willy Wonka) The Snow Queen The Lazy Pirate The Great Barrier Reef Story	WW1 Diary entry Christmas Story The Fair Fantasy Story Survival Guide Poetry – limericks Lazy Pirate Magic box poem Moana	Pandora – creative write No Escape – diary The dive – recount Kensuke's Kingdon recount Evacuee – WW2 recount Holiday recount Forbidden Planet
Persuade			Playtimes	Guatemala Diary Save Our Planet	Chocolate Bar Review European Travel Guide	Letter to the minister	Letter of complaint – suffragettes
Discuss KS2					For and Against eating Chocolate	Balanced argument	New species

Autumn Term 14 weeks	Spring Term 12 weeks	Summer term 14 weeks
Writing for enjoyment cycles (4 days +	2 writing for enjoyment cycles (1 to	2 writing for enjoyment cycles (4 + 3
1 week)	include publishing)	days)
3 fiction cycles	2 fiction cycles	3 fiction cycles
2 non-fiction cycles	2 non-fiction cycles	2 non-fiction cycles
2 poetry cycles/publishing	2 weeks poetry	1 poetry to include publishing