

Writing

2022-2023

Birth to 3

Enjoy drawing freely.

Add some marks to their drawings, which they give meaning to. For example: "That says mummy." Make marks on their picture to stand for their name.

Aged 3 - 4

Use some of their print and letter knowledge in their early writing. For example: writing a pretend shopping list that starts at the top of the page; writing 'm' for mummy.

Write some or all of their name.

Write some letters accurately.

Children In Reception

Form lower-case and capital letters correctly.

Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with letter/s.

Write short sentences with words with known letter-sound correspondences using a capital letter and full stop.

Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense.

Early Learning Goal

Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed.

Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters.

Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others.

Year 1

Spelling

Spell words containing each of the 40+ phonemes already taught

Spell common exception words

Spell the days of the week

Use the spelling rule for adding -s or -es as the plural marker for nouns and the third person singular marker for verbs

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Use the suffixes -ing, -ed, -er and -est where no change is needed in the spelling of root words Use the prefix un-

Handwriting

Sit correctly at a table, hold a pencil comfortably and correctly

Begin to form lower-case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place Form capital letters and digits 0-9

Understand which letters belong to which handwriting 'families' (i.e. letters that are formed in similar ways)

Composition

Write sentences: saying out loud what they are about to write and composing a sentence orally before writing it

Write sentences: sequencing sentences to form short narratives

Write sentences: re-reading what they have written to check that it makes sense If needed, they can discuss what they have written with the teacher or other pupils

Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation

Leave spaces between words

Joining words and clauses using and

Begin to punctuate sentences using capital letters

Begin to punctuate sentences using full stops

Begin to punctuate sentences using question marks

Begin to punctuate sentences using exclamation marks

Use capital letters for names of people and for the personal pronoun 'I'

Use capital letters for names of places

Use capital letters for the days of the week

Year 2

Spelling

Spell by segmenting spoken words into phonemes and representing these by graphemes, spelling many correctly

Learn new ways of spelling phonemes for which one or more spellings are already known, learn some words with each spelling inc a few common homophones

Spell common exception words

Spell more words with contracted forms and the possessive apostrophe (singular)

Add suffixes to spell longer words e.g. -ment, -ness, -ful, -less, -ly

Write from memory simple dictated sentences including the words and punctuation taught so far

Handwriting

Form lower-case letters to the correct size relative to one another

Start using some of the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined

Write capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower case letters

Use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters

Composition

Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by: writing narratives about personal experiences (real and fiction); real events; poetry and writing for different purposes Consider what they are going to write by: planning/saying what they are going to write about; writing down ideas/key words/new vocab; encapsulating ideas sentence by sentence Make simple additions, revisions and corrections to their writing by: evaluating writing with others; re-reading to check that it makes sense; proof-reading spelling, grammar, punctuation

Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation

Knows how to use full stops and capital letters correctly

Knows how to use exclamation and question marks correctly

Knows how to use commas for lists

Knows how to use apostrophe for contracted forms/possessive (singular)

Knows how to use subordination using when, if, that, because

Knows how to use co-ordination using or, and, but

Knows how to use sentences with different forms: statement, question, exclamation, command

Knows how to use expanded noun phrases to describe and specify

Knows how to use the present and past tenses correctly and consistently including in the progressive form

Knows how to use suffixes to form nouns (-ness, -er)

Knows how to use suffixes to form adjectives (-ful, -less) and adverbs (-ly)