Welcome


Why have we changed the curriculum?

How did we go about changing the curriculum?



## Our intent for writing

- Develop spoken language, composition and grammar
- Text-rich curriculum instead of all topic links,
- A big emphasis on the development of vocabulary
- Collaborative, whote-class writing leads children to confidently write an independent piece


## Our intent for writing

- Develop stamina for writing and resilience
- Children see the relationship between accurate grammar and successful writing
- Focus on development of spelling rules, not just a list of spellings to be learnt
- ... a desire to see children flourish as writers and to develop a love of writing!


## Why choose The Write Stuff?

- Research shows that pupils who enjoy writing are good writers, - we need to encourage enjoyment of writing.
- Using The Write Stuff means that the writing process is taught explicitly and deliberately to pupils by teachers.


## Weaknesses in Primary Age Writing

1. Sentence Structures
2. Completed piece 'The Whole'
3. Textual Cohesion


## Vocabulary development

- Once children are ready to start writing, it is important to think about how to expand their vocabulary.
- As children get older and progress through the schoot, the language they use will become more precise and sophisticated.


## Vocabulary development

- KS1 children might write a sentence such as:

The big dog with the red bow.

- KS2 children might then develop their vocabulary to write:

Straining frantically, the gigantic dusky grey dog pulled against the suffocating scarlet bow, wanting to pull it off completely.


## Experience lessons,

- Some lessons might involve moments when children are able to explore and play around with their thoughts and ideas about a subject.
- They might also be able to play around with language and see what fits.


## Experience lessons

- Films
- Images
- Development of word banks
- A trip outside of the classroom/drama
- Reading real-life accounts
- Talking to children in different year groups
- Research
- Following instructions


## The Three Zones Of Writing

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## Tools


(3) Techniques $\rightarrow$



## Explore the forest using:




## Mossy green roots

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Dappled sunlight through the trees
Treas that are so toll they brush the sky

Twigs snapping sharply underfoot The soft scurrying of unknown animals The wind whispering through the trees

Fragrant flowersdaneng in the wind
(b) The scent of damp bark underfoot Trees with a sweet smell of fresh pine

## Working Walls

- All year groups help children to develop their vocabulary and have it displayed on the wall for pupils to use in later lessons.
- It helps to reinforce new vocabulary and to show how it can be used in sentences.







## Tools

- Understanding the fundamentals of grammar is important for new writers, who need to understand the basics of grammar before they can begin to manipulate sentence constructions for effect.


## Tools

- Poor grammar creates poor sentences.
- Children need to understand the structures of writing.


## Tools

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- Through our lessons at Paddox, grammar will be woven within a writing lesson, rather than a standalone lesson.
- The benefit is that children will see the grammar working 'in action', rather than separately.
- One way to show grammar manipulation is through use of a washing line.

lucy ran down the road



-ucy tan down the road with a spring in her step



Lucy ian, with a spring in her step
, down the road

Lucy tan down the road with a spring in her step!
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## Techniques

- Children need to see lots of good writing from published authors.
- They need to learn about the things they do and what works well in order to be able to spot how they achieve their aims in their writing.
- Children can then start to replicate and mimic their styles before branching out on their own.


## Techniques

- Authors try to use vivid and precise words, and phrases, that appeal to the senses.
- Pupils need to be encouraged to use their imaginations, to form 'mental images' from authors' work so they can do this themselves later on.


## Techniques $\rightarrow$ Nan

- When children understand the repertoire of devices at their disposal, and are able to use them in a skilled way, they can become competent, confident writers.


## Techniques $\rightarrow$ जि

- Key Stage One: - Key Stage Two:
- Onomatopocia
- Alliteration
- Rhyme
- Repetition
- Simile

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- Alliteration
- Rhyme
- Repetition
- Simile
- Metaphor
- Pathetic fallacy
- Pun
- Personification
- Symbolism


## Types of writing

| Fiction | Non-fiction | Poetry |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Story writing | Letters | Free verse |
| Diary entry | Biography | Structured poems |
| Play scripts | Autobiography | Visual poems |
| Myths and legends | Balanced arguments |  |
| Fairy tales | Persuasive writing |  |
| Fables | Newspapers (years 5 and 6 only) |  |
| Traditional tales | Explanation texts <br> Instructional texts |  |
|  | Non-chronological reports <br> Recounts |  |

## How to support your child

- When working at home, try to use the language of the Write Stuff:
- FANTASTICs
- Grammaristics
- Boomtastics


## How to support your child

- When out and about, ask your child to describe their setting, using different FANTASTICs
e.g. in the supermarket:

I can see people eagerly stretching up to reach the top shelves.

## How to support your child

- When reading, ask which grammaristics have been used in different sentences.
- If you notice a boomtastic, such as a simile, ask if your child has spotted it too.
- Do authors have a favourite boomtastic?


## How to support your child

- You could build up a bank of vocabulary that you have gathered together as a family.



Assessment

## Statutory and Non-statutory Assessments,

- Reception Baseline (language, communication and literacy, mathernatics)
- No numerical score will be shared, and the data will only be used at the end of year 6 to form the schoot-level progress measure
- Year 1 Phonics (Summer Term)
- Year 2 SATs (Summer Term)
- Year 4 Times tables (Summer Term)
- Year 6 SATs (Spring Term)
- 3 assessment points for each year group
- Writing, spelling, reading, maths, GPS and Science.


## Assessment Terminology

- HNM - has not met expected standard
- WTS - working towards expected standard
- EXS - working at expected standard
- GDS - working at greater depth
- The children will be assessed using the national curriculum objectives/ expectations.
- Tests as well as children's work in books will be used to assess.

