Writing: Non-negotiables for Year 6

Writing is an essential skill which will benefit every pupil throughout their life. It is a critical skill which equips children with the ability to communicate in numerous ways. The Writing non-negotiables help build children's essential base platform for the progression in writing.



The following non-negotiables will be taught over the year and are the expectations for **most** children by the end of year 6.

Sentence Level:

- use passive voice where appropriate
- use expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely
- evidence of sentence structure and layout matched to requirements of text type
- use subordinate clauses to write complex sentences

Paragraphing:

• use a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs

Punctuation:

- use semi-colons, colons and dashes to mark the boundary between independent clauses
- use the correct punctuation of bullet points
- use hyphens to avoid ambiguity

Spelling:

• spell correctly most of the year 5/6 (attached)

Handwriting:

• Write using a legible, fluent and personal style

Word list - years 5 and 6

accommodate accompany according achieve: aggressive amateur ancient apparent appreciate attached available average awkward bargain bruise category cemetery committee communicate community competition conscience* conscious* controversy convenience correspond criticise (critic + ise) curiosity definite desperate

determined

develop

dictionary

disastrous

embarrass environment equip (-ped, -ment) especially exaggerate excellent existence explanation familiar foreign forty frequently government guarantee harass. hindrance identity immediate(ly) individual interfere interrupt language leisure lightning marvellous mischievous muscle necessary neighbour nuisance occupy occur

opportunity

parliament

persuade physical prejudice privilege profession programme pronunciation queue recognise recommend relevant restaurant rhyme rhythm sacrifice secretary shoulder signature sincere(ly) soldier stomach sufficient suggest symbol system temperature thorough twelfth variety vegetable vehicle yacht