Whole-School Writing Progression Map 2024-25

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Writing - Transcription: Spelling	Three & Four Year Olds Reception Early Learning Goals	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Phonics and Spelling Rules	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, write 'm' for mummy. Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with the letter/s. Write short sentences with words with known letter-sound correspondences using a capital letter and a full stop. 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.	To know all letters of the alphabet and the sounds which they most commonly represent. To recognise vowel and consonant digraphs which have been taught and the sounds which they represent. To recognise words with adjacent consonants. To accurately spell most words containing the 40+ previously taught phonemes and GPCs. To spell some words in a phonically plausible way, even if sometimes incorrect. To apply Y1 spelling rules and guidance, which includes: The sounds /f/, /l/, /s/, /z/ and /k/ spelt 'ff', 'll', 'ss', 'zz' and 'ck' and exceptions: - The /ŋ/ sound spelt 'n' before 'k' (bank, think) - Dividing words into syllables (rabbit, carrot) - The /tJ/ sound at the end of words where the letter 'e' usually needs to be added (have, live) - Adding -s and -es to words (plural of nouns and the third person singular of verbs)	To segment spoken words into phonemes and to represent these with graphemes, spelling many of these words correctly and making phonically plausible attempts at others. To recognise new ways of spelling phonemes for which one or more spellings are already known and to learn some words with each spelling, including some common homophones (bare/bear, blue/ blew, night/knight). To apply further Y2 spelling rules and guidance, which includes: - The /dʒ/ sound spelt as 'ge' and' dge' (fudge, huge) or spelt as 'g' or 'j' elsewhere in words (magic, adjust) - The /n/ sound spelt 'kn' and 'gn' (knock, gnaw) - The /r/ sound spelt 'wr' (write, written) - The /l/ or /əl/ sound spelt -el (camel, tunnel) or spelt -al (metal, hospital) or spelt -il (fossil, nostril) - The /aI/ sound spelt -y (cry, fly, July)	To spell words with the / eI/ sound spelt 'ei', 'eigh', or 'ey' (vein, weigh, eight, neighbour, they, obey). To spell words with the /I/ sound spelt 'y' in a position other than at the end of words (mystery, gym). To spell words with a /k/ sound spelt with 'ch' (scheme, chorus, chemist, echo, character). To spell words ending in the /g/ sound spelt 'gue' and the /k/ sound spelt 'que' (league, tongue, antique, unique). To spell words with a / sh/ sound spelt with 'ch' (chef, chalet, machine, brochure). To spell words with a short /u/ sound spelt with 'ou' (young, touch, double, trouble, country).	To spell words with / shuhn/ endings spelt with 'sion' (if the root word ends in 'se', 'de') or 'd', (division, invasion, confusion, decision, collision, television). To spell words with a / shuhn/ sound spelt with 'ssion' (if the root word ends in 'ss' or 'mit', e.g. expression, discussion, confession, admission). To spell words with a / shuhn/ sound spelt with 'tion' (if the root word ends in 'te' or 't' or has no definite root. EG - invention, injection, action, hesitation, completion). To spell words with a / shuhn/ sound spelt with 'cian' (if the root word ends in 'c' or 'cs'. EG - musician, electrician, magician, politician, mathematician).	To spell words with endings that sound like / shuhs/ spelt with -cious (vicious, precious, conscious, delicious, malicious, suspicious). To spell words with endings that sound like / shuhs/ spelt with -tious or -ious (ambitious, cautious, fictitious, infectious, nutritious). To spell words with 'silent' letters (doubt, island, lamb, solemn, thistle, knight). To spell words containing the letter string 'ough' (ought, bought, thought, rough, tough, enough, cough, though, although, dough, through, plough).	To spell words ending in -able and -ably (adorable/adorably, applicable/applicably, considerable/ considerably, tolerable/tolerably). To spell words ending in -ible and -ibly (possible/possibly, horrible/horribly, terrible/ terribly, visible/visibly, incredible/incredibly, sensible/sensibly). To spell words with a long /e/ sound spelt 'ie' or 'ei' after 'c' (deceive, conceive, receive, perceive, ceiling) and exceptions (protein, caffeine, seize). To spell words with endings which sound like /shuhl/ after a vowel letter using 'cial' (official, special, artificial). To spell words with endings which sound like /shuhl/ after a vowel letter using 'tial' (partial, confidential, essential).	

Phonics	 Adding the endings –ing, –ed and –er to verbs where no change is needed to the root wood (buzzer, jumping) Adding –er and –est to adjectives where no change is needed to root word (fresher, grandest) Spelling words with the vowel digraphs and trigraphs: 'ai' and 'oi' (rain, point) 'oy' and 'ay' (day, enjoy) a–e, e–e, i–e, o–e and u–e (made, theme, ride, woke, tune) 'ar' (car, park) 'ee' (green, week) 'ea' (meant, bread) 'er' stressed (her, person) 'er' unstressed schwa 	 Adding –es to nouns and verbs ending in –y where the 'y' is changed to 'i' before the –es (flies, tries, carries) Adding –ed, –ing, –er and –est to a root word ending in –y (skiing, replied) and exceptions to the rules; adding the endings – ing, –ed, –er, –est and –y to words ending in – e with a consonant before (including exceptions) adding –ing, –ed, –er, –est and –y to words of one syllable ending in a single consonant letter after a single 	To spell words ending with the /zher/ sound spelt with 'sure' (measure, treasure, pleasure, enclosure). To spell words ending with the /cher/ sound spelt with 'ture' (creature, furniture, picture, nature, adventure).	To spell words with the /s/ sound spelt with 'sc' (science, scene, discipline, fascinate, crescent).	
Rules Continued	 'ou' (loud, sound) 'ow' (brown, down) 'ow' (own, show) 'ue' (true, rescue) 'ew' (new, threw) 'ie' (lie, dried) 'ie' (chief, field) 'igh' (bright, right) 'or' (short, born) 'ore' (before, shore) 'aw' (yawn, crawl) 'au' (author, haunt) 'air' (hair, chair) 'ear' (beard, near) 'ear' (bear, pear) 'are' (bare, dare) Spelling words ending with -y (funny, party) Spelling new consonants 'ph' and 'wh' (dolphin, 	 The /i:/ sound spelt – ey: the plural forms of these words are made by the addition of -s (donkeys, monkeys) The /b/ sound spelt 'a' after 'w' and 'qu' (want, quantity, squash) The /3:/ sound spelt 'or' after 'w' (word, work, worm) The /5:/ sound spelt 'ar' after 'w' (warm, towards) The /3/ sound spelt 's' (television, usual) 			
	wheel, while) Using 'k' for the /k/ sound (sketch, kit)				

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	To spell sim compound w		To spell some more complex	To spell words that use the possessive	To spell complex homophones and	To spell homophones and near
	(dustbin, foot	ball). (can't, didn't, hasn't).	homophones and	apostrophe with	near-homophones,	homophones that
	To read words		near-homophones, including here/hear,	plural words, including irregular	including who's/whose and	include nouns that end in -ce/-cy and
	they have sp	anastranha (tha girl's	brake/break and mail/	plurals (girls', boys',	stationary/stationery.	verbs that end in -se/-
	To take part in process of segmenting sp words into pho	f book). woken Write from memory	male. To use the first two or three letters of a word	babies', children's, men's, mice's). To use their spelling	To use the first three or four letters of a word to check	sy (practice/ practise, licence/license, advice/advise).
Further Spelling Conventions	before choo graphemes represent th phoneme	to dictated by the teacher that include ose words using the GPCs,	to check its spelling in a dictionary.	knowledge to use a dictionary more efficiently.	spelling, meaning or both of these in a dictionary	To spell words that contain hyphens (co- ordinate, re-enter, co- operate, co-own).
pellin		words & punctuation taught so far.				To use a knowledge of morphology and
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onve		and to then represent				the spelling of some
enti		all of the phonemes using graphemes in				words needs to be learnt specifically.
ons		the right order for both				To use dictionaries
		for single-syllable and multi-syllabic words.				and thesauruses to check the spelling
		To self-correct				and meaning of words
		misspellings of words				and confidently find
		that pupils have been				synonyms and antonyms.
		taught to spell (this may require support				antonymor
		to recognise				
		misspellings).				
Common Exception Words	To spell all common exce words corre	ption Y2 common exception	To spell many of the Y3 and Y4 statutory spelling words	To spell all of the Y3 and Y4 statutory spelling words	To spell many of the Y5 and Y6 statutory spelling words	To spell all of the Y5 and Y6 statutory spelling words
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	To use -s and -es to	To add suffixes to spell	To spell most words	To correctly spell	To convert nouns or	To use their
	form regular plurals	most words correctly	with the prefixes dis-,	most words with the	adjectives into verbs	knowledge of
	correctly.	in their writing (-ment,	mis-, bi-, re- and de-	prefixes in-, il-, im-, ir-	using the suffix -ate	adjectives ending in -
	To use the prefix 'un-'	–ness, –ful, –less, –ly).	correctly (disobey,	, sub-, super-, anti-,	(activate, motivate	ant to spell nouns
			mistreat, bicycle,	auto-, inter-, ex- and	communicate).	ending in -ance/-ancy
Prefixes and Suffixes	To use the prefix 'un- accurately. To successfully add the suffixes –ing, –ed –er and –est to root words where no change is needed in the spelling of the root words (helped, quickest).				•	-
			forgotten beginning).			

	EYFS	K	S1		K	S2	
Writing - Transcription: Handwriting	Three & Four Year Olds Reception Early Learning Goals	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Letter Formation, Placement and Positioning	Use large-muscle movements to wave flags and streamers, paint and make marks. Use one-handed tools and equipment, for example, making snips in paper with scissors. Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens & pencils. Shows a preference for a dominant hand. Write some letters accurately. Develop their motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely & confidently (EG - pencils for drawing/writing, paintbrushes, scissors, knives, forks). Use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor. Develop the foundations of a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient. Form lower case & capitals correctly. Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing – using the tripod grip in almost all cases. Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed.	To write lower case and capital letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place with a good level of consistency. To sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably and correctly. To form digits 0-9. To understand which letters belong to which handwriting 'families' (i.e. letters that are formed in similar ways) and to practise these.	To write capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower case letters. To form lower case letters of the correct size, relative to one another. To use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters.	To use a neat, joined handwriting style with increasing accuracy and speed.	To increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting (EG - by ensuring that the downstrokes of letters are parallel and equidistant; that lines of writing are spaced sufficiently so that the ascenders and descenders of letters do not touch).	To increase the speed of their handwriting so that problems with forming letters do not get in the way of writing down what they want to say. To be clear about what standard of handwriting is appropriate for a particular task (EG - quick notes or a final handwritten version).	To write legibly, fluently and with increasing speed by: - Choosing which shape of a letter to use when given choices and deciding whether or not to join specific letters. - Choosing the writing implement that is best suited for a task.
Joining Letters			To begin to use the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters	To continue to use the diagonal & horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters & to understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined.	To confidently use diagonal and horizontal joining strokes throughout their independent writing to increase fluency.	To confidently use diagonal and horizontal joining strokes throughout their independent writing in a legible, fluent and speedy way.	To recognise when to use an unjoined style (EG - for labelling a diagram or data, writing an email address or for algebra) and capital letters (EG - for filling in a form).

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Writing - Composition	Three & Four Year Olds Reception Early Learning Goals	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Planning, Writing and Editing	 Know many rhymes, talk about familiar books and be able to tell a long story. Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary. Use some of their print & letter knowledge in their early writing. For example, writing a pretend shopping list that starts at the top of the page, write 'm' for mummy. Write some or all of their name. Write some letters accurately. Begin to develop complex stories using small world equipment, like animal sets, dolls and dolls houses, etc. Learn new vocabulary. Articulate their ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences. Describe events in some detail. Use talk to help work out problems and organise thinking & activities. Explain how things work & why they might happen. Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding. Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text; some as exact repetition and some in their own words. Use new vocab in different contexts. Write short sentences with words with known letter-sound correspondences using a capital letter and a full stop. Re-read what they have written to check it makes sense. Develop storylines in pretend play. Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others. Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with peers and teachers. 	To say out loud what they are going to write about. To compose a sentence orally before writing it. To sequence sentences to form short narratives. To discuss what they have written with the teacher or other pupils. To reread their writing to check that it makes sense and to independently begin to make changes. To read their writing aloud clearly enough to be heard by their peers and the teacher. To use adjectives to describe.	To write narratives about personal experiences and those of others (real and fictional). To write about real events. To write simple poetry. To plan what they are going to write about, including writing down ideas and/or key words and new vocabulary. To encapsulate what they want to say, sentence by sentence. To make simple additions, revisions & corrections to their own writing by evaluating it with the teacher & pupils. To reread to check that their writing makes sense and that the correct tense is used throughout. To proofread to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation (EG - to check that the ends of sentences are punctuated correctly).	To begin to use ideas from their own reading and modelled examples to plan their writing. To proofread their own and others' work to check for errors (with increasing accuracy) and to make improvements. To begin to organise their writing into paragraphs around a theme. To compose and rehearse sentences orally (including dialogue).	To compose and rehearse sentences orally (including dialogue), progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures. To consistently organise their writing into paragraphs around a theme to add cohesion and to aid the reader. To proofread consistently and amend their own and others' writing, correcting errors in grammar, punctuation and spelling and adding nouns/ pronouns for cohesion.	To plan their writing by identifying the audience for and purpose of the writing, selecting the appropriate form and using other similar writing as models for their own. To consider, when planning narratives, how authors have developed characters and settings in what pupils have read, listened to or seen performed. To proofread work to précis longer passages by removing unnecessary repetition or irrelevant details. To consistently link ideas across paragraphs. To proofread their work to assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and to make necessary corrections and improvements.	To note down and develop initial ideas, drawing on reading and research where necessary. To use further organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader (e.g. headings, bullet points, underlining). To use a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs. To habitually proofread for spelling and punctuation errors. To propose changes to vocabulary, grammar and punctuation to enhance effects and clarify meaning. To recognise how words are related by meaning as synonyms and antonyms and to use this knowledge to make improvements to their writing.

 Use a wider range of vocabulary. Be able to express a point of view and to debate when they disagree with an adult or a friend, using words as well as actions. Can start a conversation with an adult or friend and continue it for many turns. Use talk to organise themselves and their play: "Let's go on a bus you sit there I'll be the driver." Learn new vocabulary. Use new vocab throughout the day. Describe events in some detail. Use talk to help work out problems and organise thinking and activities. Explain how things work and why they might happen. Develop social phrases. Use new vocabulary in different contexts. Participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussion, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary. Participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussion, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary. Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary. 	To use a number of simple features of different text types and to make relevant choices about subject matter and appropriate vocabulary choices. To start to engage readers by using adjectives to describe.	To write for different purposes with an awareness of an increased amount of fiction and non-fiction structures. To use new vocabulary from their reading, their discussions about it (one-to-one and as a whole class) and from their wider experiences. To read aloud what they have written with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear.	To demonstrate an increasing understanding of purpose and audience by discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar. To begin to use the structure of a wider range of text types (including the use of simple layout devices in non-fiction). To make deliberate ambitious word choices to add detail. To begin to create settings, characters and plot in narratives	To write a range of narratives and non- fiction pieces using a consistent and appropriate structure (including genre- specific layout devices). To write a range of narratives that are well-structured and well-paced. To create detailed settings, characters and plot in narratives to engage the reader and to add atmosphere. To begin to read aloud their own writing, to a group or the whole class, using appropriate intonation and to control the tone and volume so that the meaning is clear.	To consistently produce sustained and accurate writing from different narrative and non- fiction genres with appropriate structure, organisation and layout devices for a range of audiences and purposes. To describe settings, characters and atmosphere with carefully chosen vocabulary to enhance mood, clarify meaning and create pace. To regularly use dialogue to convey a character and to advance the action. To perform their own compositions confidently using appropriate intonation, volume and movement so that meaning is clear.	To write effectively for a range of purposes and audiences, selecting the appropriate form and drawing independently on what they have read as models for their own writing (including literary language, characterisation, structure, etc.). To distinguish between the language of speech and writing and to choose the appropriate level of formality. To select vocabulary and grammatical structures that reflect what the writing requires (e.g. using contracted forms in dialogues in narrative; using passive verbs to affect how information is presented; using modal verbs to suggest degrees of possibility).
offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary. Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary						modal verbs to suggest degrees of

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Writing - Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation	Three & Four Year Olds Reception Early Learning Goals	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Sentence Construction and Tense	Understand 'why' questions, like: 'Why do you think the caterpillar got so fat?' Develop their communication but may continue to have problems with irregular tenses and plurals, such as 'runned' for 'ran', 'swimmed' for 'swam'. Use longer sentences of four to six words. Use new vocabulary throughout the day. Articulate their ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences. Connect one idea or action to another using a range of conjunctions. Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate. Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including the use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions with modelling and support from the teacher.	To use simple sentence structures.	To use the present tense and the past tense mostly correctly and consistently. To form sentences with different forms: statement, question, exclamation, command. To use some features of written Standard English.	To try to maintain the correct tense (including the present perfect tense) throughout a piece of writing with accurate subject/verb agreement. To use 'a' or 'an' correctly throughout a piece of writing.	To always maintain an accurate tense throughout a piece of writing. To always use Standard English verb inflections accurately (EG - 'we were' rather than 'we was' and 'I did' rather than 'I done').	To use a range of adverbs and modal verbs to indicate degrees of possibility (EG - surely, perhaps, should, might, etc). To ensure the consistent and correct use of tense throughout all pieces of writing.	To ensure the consistent and correct use of tense throughout all pieces of writing, including the correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural.

Use of Phrases and Clauses	Use longer sentences of four to six words. Articulate their ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences. Connect one idea or action to another using a range of conjunctions. Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including the use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions with modelling and support from the teacher.	To use the joining word (conjunction) 'and' to link ideas and sentences. To begin to form simple compound sentences.	To using co-ordination (or/and/but). To use some subordination (when/if/ that/because). To use expanded noun phrases to describe and specify (EG - the blue butterfly).	To use subordinate clauses, extending the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, including when, if, because, and although. To use a range of conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to show time, place and cause.	To use subordinate clauses, extending the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, which are sometimes in varied positions within sentences. To expand noun phrases with the addition of ambitious modifying adjectives and prepositional phrases (EG - the heroic soldier with an unbreakable spirit). To consistently	To use a wide range of linking words/phrases between sentences and paragraphs to build cohesion, including time adverbials (EG - later), place adverbials (EG - nearby) and number (EG - secondly). To use relative clauses beginning with a relative pronoun with confidence (who, which, where, when, whose, that and omitted relative pronouns) EG - Professor Scriffle,	To use the subjunctive form in formal writing. To use the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause. To use the passive voice. To use question tags in informal writing.
Punctuation		To use capital letters for names, places, the days of the week and the personal pronoun '1'. To use finger spaces. To use full stops to end sentences. To begin to use question marks and exclamation marks	To use the full range of punctuation taught at key stage 1 mostly correctly including: - Capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks. - Commas to separate lists. - Apostrophes to mark singular possession and contractions.	To use the full range of punctuation from previous year groups. To punctuate direct speech accurately, including the use of inverted commas.	choose nouns or pronouns appropriately to aid cohesion and avoid repetition (EG - he, she, they, it). To use all of the necessary punctuation in direct speech, including a comma after the reporting clause and all end punctuation within the inverted commas. To consistently use apostrophes for singular and plural possession.	Professor Scriffle, who was a famous inventor, had made a new discovery. To use commas consistently to clarify meaning or to avoid ambiguity. To use brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis	To use the full range of punctuation taught at key stage 2 correctly, including consistent and accurate use of semi-colons, dashes, colons, hyphens, and, when necessary, to use such punctuation precisely to enhance meaning and avoid ambiguity.

VerticitiesCapital letter, word, singular, plural, sentence, punctuation, full stop, question mark and exclamation mark.phrase, statement, question, question, exclamation, compound, suffix, clause, punctuation, full stop, question mark and exclamation mark.phrase, statement, question, question, word family, prefix, clause, subordinate clause, compound, suffix, consonant, compound, suffix, adjective, adverb, past tense, past ten		To recognise and use	To recognise and use	To recognise and use	To recognise and use	To recognise and use	To recognise and use
comma.	of Terminol	singular, plural, sentence, punctuation, full stop, question mark and	question, exclamation, command, compound, suffix, adjective, adverb, verb, present tense, past tense, apostrophe and	family, prefix, clause, subordinate clause, direct speech, consonant, consonant letter, vowel, vowel letter	pronoun and	relative clause, parenthesis, bracket, dash, cohesion and	passive, synonym, antonym, ellipsis, hyphen, colon, semi- colon and bullet