

The Writing Curriculum

We are preparing children for jobs in a future world



University Study



A-Level Study / Apprenticeship - College



GCSE English

Next Phase of Education



Use a range of devices to build cohesion



Select vocabulary and grammatical structures that the writing requires



Write effectively for a range of purposes and audiences selecting appropriate language



Describe settings, characters, create atmosphere and use dialogue to tell the reader more



Maintain legibility in joined handwriting when writing at speed



Use a dictionary to check and a thesaurus to find suitable ambitious vocabulary

KEY STAGE 2
Year 6



Increase the speed, fluidity and quality of handwriting



Use nouns and pronouns for clarity and cohesion



Write paragraphs around a theme and create settings, characters and a plot



Proofread for spelling and punctuation errors

KEY STAGE 2
Year 5



Know the origins of words and that root words can be used to make new ones



Write legibly, with increasing fluidity, speed and joining specific letters



Paragraphs are cohesive and can convert nouns and adjectives to verbs



Make writing more interesting by using a range of sentence structures such as clauses and adverbials



Use parentheses, brackets, dashes and commas to give the reader more information



Develop a story by describing characters, setting and create pace and atmosphere through dialogue



Write with suitable language and presentation for a known audience and purpose



Evaluate and edit work using the correct tense throughout

Spell words correctly that are often misspelt

KEY STAGE 2
Year 4



Increase the legibility, consistency and quality of handwriting



Use inverted commas to punctuate direct speech



Use conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause



Organise ideas in a paragraph around a theme



Proofread for some spelling and punctuation errors



Beginning to use prefixes and suffixes

KEY STAGE 2
Year 3



Use subordination (when, if, that, because) and coordination (or, and, but) to join clauses



Use capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks



Write for different purposes and make simple revisions and corrections



Use the present and past tense mostly correctly and consistently



Form all letters and digits correctly and use appropriate spacing between words



Spell many common exception words

Early Years



Write recognisable letters and most are correctly formed



Spell words by using the sounds in them



Write short sentences with capital letters and full stops



Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others



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

KEY STAGE 1
Year 1



Spell the words with some of the 40+ known phonemes



Write numbers 0-9 and form capital and lower case letters



Use a finger space between words



Write sentences and check that they make sense



Use a capital letter, full stop, question mark and exclamation mark correctly



Write a short narrative with a sequence of sentences

KEY STAGE 1
Year 2