

#### Intent

At Holy Trinity C.E. Academy we believe writing is a key life skill. We intend for our pupils to develop a love of writing and to be able to confidently communicate their knowledge and ideas clearly and creatively through their writing. We aim to teach transferable skills encouraging pupils to develop their writing skills across all areas of curriculum. We want pupils to broaden their vocabulary and be excited about using new words and phrases in their writing. We aim to enable pupils to apply the essential skills of grammar, punctuation and spelling. We set high expectations for all our children to take pride in their work with a targeted focus on presentation and handwriting.

#### **Implementation**

Writing lessons - Writing is taught using a unit approach with a balance of different types of writing planned throughout a term. Writing is taught as a process with pupils engaging with different types of writing and identifying varied features initially. Pupils are taught specific grammatical features that should be used within the text type or genre. Short and longer writing tasks are developed to ensure pupils are encouraged to develop stamina with their own writing. Pupils are encouraged to edit and improve their own and others' writing. Each class has a list of non-negotiable expectations which are displayed within the classroom.

Grammatical and punctuation skills which are features of the current text type are taught within lessons. These are taught within context and encouraged to be applied in other areas of the curriculum. Basic grammatical and punctuation errors are highlighted within the marking of pupils' work.

Phonics is taught using Little Wandle Letters and Sounds revised within Reception and Key Stage One. Within Key Stage Two, initial spelling assessment takes place to plan subsequent foci for spelling lessons. The spelling rule is introduced at the beginning of the week, before two further spelling sessions are provided, allowing pupils to apply the taught skills and assess their understanding.

At Holy Trinity C.E. Academy, we have high expectations with regard to the presentation of written work. Penpals for Handwriting is used as a handwriting style and regular handwriting lessons take place. Pupils within Year 4 earn a pen license and begin to write in pen when they are writing fluently.

Writing is assessed once every two weeks and is recorded in a separate writing book. Pupils are provided with a target for improvement and encouraged to apply this. Summative Writing sheets are used to ensure there is a wide range of text types taught throughout the year. Writing is encouraged in other curriculum areas. Each term 5 or 6 pieces of writing are used to form a teacher assessment outcome. The evidence is entered into Target Tracker.

#### **Impact**

The impact of whole-school writing will be seen across the school with pupils who are enthusiastic and motivated writers who are confident and will enjoy writing for a wide variety of audiences and purposes, using a range of grammatical skills and rich, varied vocabulary. The impact of the curriculum is monitored and assessed through: learning walks, book scrutinies, writing moderation and assessment.



#### **End of EYFS Expectations**

- Children to write sentences with words with well-known letter-sound correspondences using a capital letter and a full stop
- Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with the letters
- 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
- Write simple words and phrases that can be read by others

#### **Key Stage 1 National Curriculum Expectations**

- Pupils should be taught to:
   develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by:
  - writing narratives about personal experiences and those of others (real and fictional)
  - writing about real events
  - writing poetry
  - writing for different purposes
  - consider what they are going to write before beginning by:
  - planning or saying out loud what they are going to write about
  - writing down ideas and/or key words, including new vocabulary
  - encapsulating what they want to say, sentence by sentence
  - make simple additions, revisions and corrections to their own writing by: evaluating their writing with the teacher and other pupils
  - re-reading to check that their writing makes sense and that verbs to indicate time are used correctly and consistently, including verbs in the continuous form

#### **Key Stage 2 National Curriculum Expectations**

- Pupils should be taught 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
- noting and developing initial ideas, drawing on reading and research where necessary
- in writing narratives, considering how authors have developed characters and settings in what pupils have read, listened to or seen performed
- draft and write by selecting appropriate grammar and vocabulary, understanding how such choices can change and enhance meaning
- in narratives, describing settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action
- précising longer passages
- using a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs
- using further organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader [for example, headings, bullet points, underlining]
- evaluate and edit by assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing
- proposing changes to vocabulary, grammar and punctuation to enhance effects and clarify meaning



- proof-reading to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation for example, ends of sentences punctuated correctly
- read aloud what they have written with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear.
- learning how to use both familiar and new punctuation correctly (see English Appendix 2), including full stops, capital letters, exclamation marks, question marks, commas for lists and apostrophes for contracted forms and the possessive (singular)
- learn how to use: sentences with different forms: statement, question, exclamation, command
- expanded noun phrases to describe and specify [for example, the blue butterfly]
- the present and past tenses correctly and consistently including the progressive form
- subordination (using when, if, that, or because) and co-ordination (using or, and, or but)
- some features of written Standard English
- use and understand the grammatical terminology in discussing their writing.
- Form lower-case letters of 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.
- segmenting spoken words into phonemes and representing these by graphemes, spelling many correctly
- learning new ways of spelling phonemes for which one or more spellings are already known, and learn some words with each spelling, including a few common homophones
- learning to spell common exception words
- learning to spell more words with contracted forms

- ensuring the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing
- ensuring correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural, distinguishing between the language of speech and writing and choosing the appropriate register
- proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors
- recognising vocabulary and structures that are appropriate for formal speech and writing, including subjunctive forms
- using passive verbs to affect the presentation of information in a sentence
- using the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause
- using expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely
- using modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degrees of possibility
- using relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that or with an implied (i.e. omitted) relative pronoun
- using commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writing
- using hyphens to avoid ambiguity
- using brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis
- using semi-colons, colons or dashes to mark boundaries between independent clauses
- using a colon to introduce a list
- punctuating bullet points consistently
- use and understand the grammatical terminology accurately and appropriately in discussing their writing and reading.
- 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



- learning the possessive apostrophe (singular) [for example, the girl's book]
- distinguishing between homophones and near-homophones
- add suffixes to spell longer words, including –ment, –ness, ful, –less, –ly
- use further prefixes and suffixes and understand the guidance for adding them
- spell some words with 'silent' letters [for example, knight, psalm, solemn]
- continue to distinguish between homophones and other words which are often confused
- use knowledge of morphology and etymology in spelling and understand that the
- spelling of some words needs to be learnt specifically, as listed in English Appendix 1
- use dictionaries to check the spelling and meaning of words
- use the first three or four letters of a word to check spelling, meaning or both of these in a dictionary
- use a thesaurus.

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Aspect	EYFS	EYFS Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6							



	Express their ideas orally and feeling about their experiences using full sentences including the use of past, present and future tenses  Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others	Some use of past and present tenses	Use past and present tenses accurately  Use of the progressive form of verbs in the present and past tense to mark actions in progress	Use present perfect verbs in addition to the past tense e.g. 'He has gone out to play' rather than 'He went out to play'		Use the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause e.g. 'She has downloaded some songs', 'I had eaten my lunch'	Use passive verbs to affect the presentation of information in a sentence Use of subjunctive forms e.g. 'If Jim were class president, 'The school requires that all pupils be honest.'
Sentence Structure and Punctuation	Whilst speaking, make use of conjunctions with modelling and support from the teacher	Joining words and clauses using 'and' and 'then'	Vary sentences using subordination (when, if, that, because)  Vary sentences using co-ordination (and, but, or)	Sentence openings-vary sentences for clarity	Use fronted adverbials including correct use of commas e.g. 'Later that day, I heard the bad news'		Use a wide range of controlled clause structures, varying their position within the sentence
Sentence S			Use expanded noun phrases to describe and specify	Choose nouns or pronouns appropriately for clarity and cohesion	Noun phrases expanded by the addition of modifying adjectives, nouns and preposition phrases	Use expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely	
		Use patterned narrative structures e.g. 'once upon a time, 'long, long ago' and 'lived happily ever after'	Use different types of sentences e.g. statement, command, question, exclamation	Express time, place and cause using conjunctions e.g when, before, after, while, so, because	Develop the use of relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, that  Extend the range of sentences	Use relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that or with an implied (i.e. omitted) relative pronoun	Use of modal verbs and adverbs to indicate degrees of possibility, probability and certainty



Write short sentences with words and known letter-sound correspondences using a capital letter and a full store	Spaces are left between words Use capital letters and full stops to	Capital letters, full stops usually used accurately	Express time, place and cause using adverbs e.g then, next, soon, therefore  Express time and place using prepositions e.g before, after, during, in, because of	with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, including when, if, because, although	Use modal verbs or adverbs, indicating possibility e.g. 'The ride may be too scary", "You should look for your little brother.'	
letter and a full stop	demarcate sentences  Use capital letters for names, places, the days of the week and personal pronoun I  Use/experimen t with sentences using question marks and exclamation marks	question marks and exclamation marks usually used accurately				



	ι	Use		Use apostrophes		
	a	apostrophes to		to mark plural		
	s	show		possession e.g.		
	p	possession and		the girls' names,		
	c	contracted form		the boys' boots		
	l i	in spelling				
			Begin to use	Secure use of	Use inverted	
			inverted commas	direct speech	commas	
			to punctuate	punctuation,	correctly	
			direct speech	including	Use commas to	
			an est specen	punctuation	clarify meaning	
				within and	or avoid	
				surrounding	ambiguity in	
				inverted	writing	
				commas	Wilting	
		Use commas to		commas	Use semi-colon,	Use semi-colons,
		separate items			colon and dash	colons or dashes
	l l	in a list			to indicate a	to mark
	!!	III a IISt				boundaries
					stronger subdivision of a	between
					sentence than a	independent
					comma	clauses
					Use brackets,	Use a colon to
					dashes, to	introduce a list
					indicate	and punctuate
					parenthesis	bullet points
						consistently
						Use hyphens to
						avoid ambiguity
						e.g. man-eating
						shark v man-
						eating shark and
						recover v re-
						cover



		Some features	Features of				Punctuate bullet
		of written	written				points
		Standard	Standard				consistently
		English evident	English evident				•
		in writing e.g.	in writing e.g.				
		'He saw the	'They saw the				
		dog'	dog', rather				
		rather than,	than 'He seen				
		'they seen the	the dog'				
		dog'	the dog				
	Retell the story, some as exact	Structure own	Pupils' writing		Able to use 1st	Use mixed text	Use an
	repetition and some in their own	writing using	shows an		and 3rd person	types in writing	appropriate
	words	some of the	awareness of		appropriately	for a variety of	form, audience
		features of	purpose, form		and consistently	purposes	and register to
		given form,	and audience		throughout the		match purpose
		audience and			text		of the writing,
	Write simple phrases and sentences	text type/genre					
	that can be read by others	e.g instructions,					Secure use of
_	,	'First, slice the					mixed genres for
l o		bread'					a variety of
ati							purposes
nis			Pupils' writing		Writing shows		pan passa
gal			shows language		language and		
Ö			and structural		structural		
þ			features of		features of given		
a⊓			given text –		text-type/genre		
re			type/genre e.g.		text-type/geme		
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<u>ا</u> ک			recounts,				
Text Structure and Organisation			instructions,				
¥			non-				
Te			chronological				
1			reports and				
			narrative			144	
1			Opening /	Use simple,	Use a range of	Writing is	Use a range of
1			closing signalled	organisational	organisational	effectively	presentational
1			e.g.	devices e.g. sub-	devices e.g. sub-	controlled across	and
1			'Introduction/	headings, bullet	headings, bullet	texts e.g closings	organisational
1			development/	points, text	points, text	refer back to	devices to
1			conclusion in	layout,	layout,	openings	structure text
			non-fiction and				and guide the



		beginning,			Use a wide range	reader e.g
		middle and			of presentational	flashbacks, single
		ending in			and	line paragraph
		narrative			organisational	for effect
					devices to	
					structure text	
	Basic	Basic			Link ideas across	Use a range of
	sequencing of	sequencing of			paragraphs e.g	cohesive devices,
	ideas	ideas e.g. time			use of adverbial	including
		related words or			phrases for time,	adverbials,
		phrases, line-			place, number or	within and across
		breaks,			tense choices	sentences and
		headings,				paragraphs
		numbers				
Invent, adapt and recount narratives	Sequence	Narrative	Narratives include	Organise	In writing	
and stories with others orally	sentences to	includes setting,	opening,	narrative into	describe setting,	
	form short	character and	dilemma, conflict,	chapters, use	character and	
	narratives	plot	problem,	structure: intro,	atmosphere	
			resolution, ending	build- up		
				conflict,	Use flashbacks	
				resolution	and non-linear	
					text structures	
		Related points	With support	Secure the use	Build cohesion	Some shaping of
		next to each	begins to use	of paragraphs to	within a	paragraphs
		other	paragraphs to	organise ideas	paragraph e.g	evident e.g
			organise ideas	around a theme	use of pronouns	highlight or
					and conjunctions	prioritise
				Some attempt to		information,
				link paragraphs		build tension or
				together across		interject
				a text		comment



	Learn new vocabulary	Use new vocabulary and patterned phrases from their reading/own wider experiences/dis cussions to help engage the	Use new vocabulary and patterned phrases from their reading	Varied vocabulary across fiction and non-fiction including technical vocabulary related to the subject	Vary vocabulary across fiction and non-fiction including technical vocabulary related to the subject	Select appropriate vocabulary to enhance meaning or emphasis in narrative e.g.' the dragon trundled down the path'	Select vocabulary and grammatical structures that reflect the level of formality required
Vocabulary		reader  Add detail to writing using simple descriptive language	Use adventurous vocabulary in their writing e.g. adjectives, verbs and adverbs in narrative	Use words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination  Begin to experiment with figurative language	Select appropriate vocabulary to create settings, characters and plot	Use descriptive language in order to create setting, character and atmosphere  Use new vocabulary and patterned phrases from reading/ own experiences to help engage the reader	Use figurative language to develop setting, character and atmosphere
		Use vocabulary collected from cross curricular learning	Use technical vocabulary, e.g. the bakery, the forest canopy			Use technical language in non- fiction e.g. 'In 1066 William became King of England'	Vary vocabulary across a range of genres/text-types including technical vocabulary related to the subject



					Choose nouns or pronouns appropriately for clarity and cohesion and to avoid repetition  Effectively use conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause and place		Use adverbs, preposition phrases and expanded noun phrases effectively to add detail, qualification and precision
	Use new vocabulary in different contexts	Take an interest in, enjoy and explore new vocabulary	Take an interest in, enjoy and explore new vocabulary in order to support their writing			Take an interest in, enjoy and explore new vocabulary in order to support their writing	
			Use expanded noun phrases to describe/specify	Explore nuances of meaning through reading and discussion and apply in writing to create a specific effect	Noun phrases expanded by the addition of modifying adjectives, nouns and preposition phrases		Understand nuances in vocabulary choice
Handwriting		Sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably and correctly					



Write recognisable letters, most of	Begin to form	Form lower-			
which are correctly formed	lower case	case letters of			
which are correctly formed	letters in the	the correct size			
	correct	relative to one			
	direction,	another			
	starting and				
	finishing in the				
	right place				
		Start using	Use the diagonal and ho		
		some of the	strokes that are needed	d to join letters	
		diagonal and	and understand which le	letters, when	
		horizontal	adjacent to one another	er, are best left	
		strokes needed	unjoined		
		to join letters			
		and understand			
		which letters,			
		when adjacent			
		to each other,			
		are best			
		unjoined			
	Form capital	Write capital			
	letters	letters the			
	accurately	correct size,			
	accurately	orientation and			
		relationship to			
		one another			
		and lower-case			
	F 1: 1: 0.0	letters			
	Form digits 0-9	Write digits the			
		correct size,			
		orientation			



	Understand which letters belong to which handwriting families and practise these				
		Use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters			
			Increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting (downstrokes of letters are parallel and equidistant, lines of writing are spaced sufficiently so that the ascenders and descenders of letters do not touch)	Write legibly, fluer increasing speed (or to join or not specific choosing which shouse when given choosing when given choosin	choosing whether ific letters, ape of a letter to



Planning and Drafting	Say out loud what they are going to write.	Pupils plan with a clear purpose, audience and form  Say out loud what they are going to write  Compose a	Plan and/or rehearse orally what they are going to write  Encapsulate,	Pupils plan with a clear purpose, audience and form  Discuss and record ideas before writing  Compose/rehear	Pupils plan with a clear purpose, audience and form  Discuss and record ideas before writing  Compose and	Identify the audience and purpose  Suggest an appropriate form of writing  Plan with a clear purpose, audience and form	dependently identify and select the audience and purpose, form and style of writing  Independently plan own ideas for developing characters and settings, narrative structure.  Independently plan using appropriate features of nonfiction text type/mixed
		sentence orally before writing it	sentence by sentence what they want to say	se sentences orally specific to the genre/text- type	rehearse sentences orally specific to the genre/text-type		



	Begin to organise their ideas in writing	Use the drafting process to gather and write down ideas and key words, including new vocabulary drawn from reading and discussion of different types of writing	Use reading experiences and understanding of structural organisers to help plan their writing in a genre/text-type	Use reading experiences and understanding of structural organisers to help plan their writing in a range of genre/text-types	Use note-making to record ideas using reading and research	Use note-making techniques to plan, develop and summarise ideas using reading and research where appropriate
		Develop a positive attitude towards and stamina for writing				
			Enhance the effectiveness of what is written	Enhance the effectiveness of what is written	Independently enhance the effectiveness of writing through reading, evaluating and redrafting	Make appropriate choices of grammar and vocabulary to clarify and enhance meaning
Evaluating and Editing	With support, if appropriate, reread sentences for sense	Re read ensuring it makes sense and that verbs to indicate time are used correctly and consistently, including verbs in the continuous form				



	Discuss what they have written with others/teacher					
Evaluating and Editing	Evaluate impact on reader	Evaluate the effective use of word choice, grammar and punctuation	Evaluate own writing against the purpose, text structure, language features of the genre/text-type	Evaluate their own and others' writing against set criteria: planning purpose, text structure, language features of the genre/text-type	Evaluate and edit by proposing changes to vocabulary for meaning, effect and emphasis  Evaluate and edit own and others' writing against a set criterion, some of which may be generated by themselves	Evaluate and edit by proposing changes to vocabulary for meaning, effect and emphasis  Evaluate and edit own and others' writing against a set criterion generated by pupils
		Make simple additions, revisions, corrections, following proof-reading and evaluation of writing	Make improvements related to the needs of the children	Make improvements relating to the needs of the children	Ensure consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing  Ensure correct subject and verb agreement	
		Proofreading to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation	Proofreading to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation	Proofreading to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation	Proofreading to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation	Proofreading to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation



	Re read aloud, clearly enough to be heard by others	Read aloud what they have written with appropriate intonation	Read aloud their own writing using appropriate intonation, tone and volume to make the meaning clear	Propose changes to grammar and vocabulary to improve consistency, including accurate use of pronouns in sentences  Read aloud their own writing, using appropriate intonation, tone and volume to make the meaning clear	Learn use and apply the grammar for year 5, through discussion, editing and evaluating their own rereading and writing  Present [perform] their writing, if appropriate, using intonation, volume and movement to make the	Learn, use and apply the grammar for year 6 through discussion, editing and evaluating their reading and writing  Précis longer passages
					meaning clear	