



Writing in KS1

Writing is a skill that children really develop throughout Year 1. The mark making in the Early Years becomes purposeful writing.

If you have any questions or queries about anything in this leaflet please speak to Mr Martin. No question is too small!

**"WRITING
IS THE
PAINTING
OF THE
VOICE!"**
VOLTAIRE

The Writing Curriculum

In Year One we hope that every child **will be able to do the following before moving to Year 2-**

- *To be able to write their full name.
- *To be able to write sentences using full stops, capital letters and finger spaces.
- *To be able to use adjectives and connectives in their writing.
- *To be able to use exclamation marks and question marks.
- *To be able to form all letters correctly, lower and upper case.
- *To be able to write a recount of an event. (diary)
- *To be able to write stories, Information texts, instructions, lists, labels, explanation texts, poems and discussions.



What we do to help

To help your child meet these targets we complete a variety of tasks with them throughout the year such as-

- ***Diary Writing**– Each week your child will write a diary entry about their weekend.
- ***Guided Writing Sessions**– Twice a week we have guided writing sessions to learn a new skill. This is when your child will be taught something new and they will need to show they can use the skill in their writing.
- ***Free Writing**– Children will be provided with free writing during Literacy sessions when they are not working alongside a teacher. This is to help them develop their skills and knowledge.
- ***Handwriting**– In the morning children's first task will be to complete their handwriting pack.

How you can help

Here's a little list of tips that can help your child further their writing skills at home:

- *Name Writing– Your child should be able to write their first and surname.
- *Writing shopping lists.
- *Writing a Home Diary during the holidays! (bring it into school for the teachers to see!)
- *Handwriting games on the Ipad are really useful for letter formation and fine motor skills.
- *Fine Motor Jobs– picking buttons, using pegs to pick sticks up, play dough, using scissors, baking, playing with slime.
- *Drawing Pictures– Bring them in to decorate Miss Kerr's window!
- *Using chalk outside on walls and the pavement.
- *Writing postcards.
- *Writing recipes after you have completed some baking.

We thank you for the time you took to read this leaflet and we hope it will be of some use to you as your child moves through Year One!



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