Progression of Writing Skills at Culcheth Community Primary School

|  | Reception | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
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|  | - Begin to form simple sentences sometimes using punctuation. <br> - Write graphemes for each of the 44 phonemes. <br> - Write their own first names (beginning to attempt surname) and other things such as labels and captions. | - Write clearly demarcated sentences. Use 'and' to join ideas. <br> - Use standard forms of verbs, e.g. go/went. | - Write different kinds of sentence: statement, question, exclamation, command. <br> - Use expanded noun phrases to add description \& specification. <br> - Use conjunctions to join sentences (e.g. so, but). <br> - Write using subordination (when, if, that, because) <br> - Correct use of verb tenses | - Use conjunctions (when, so, before, after, while, because). Use adverbs (then, next, soon). <br> - Use prepositions (e.g. before, after, during, in, because of). <br> - Experiment with adjectives to create impact. <br> - Correctly use verbs in 1st, 2nd \& 3rd person. <br> - Use perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time \& cause | - Vary sentence structure, using different openers. Use adjectival phrases (e.g. biting cold wind). <br> - Appropriate choice of noun or pronoun. | - Add phrases to make sentences more precise \& detailed. <br> - Use range of sentence openers - judging the impact or effect needed. <br> - Begin to adapt sentence structure to text type. Use pronouns to avoid repetition. | - Add phrases to make sentences more precise \& detailed. <br> - Use range of sentence openers - judging the impact or effect needed. <br> - Begin to adapt sentence structure to text type. <br> - Use pronouns to avoid repetition. |
|  |  | - Evidence of: Capital letters. Full stops. Question marks. Exclamation marks. <br> - Capital letters for names \& personal pronoun ' 1 '. | - Correct \& consistent use of: Capital letters. Full stops. Question marks. Exclamation marks. Commas in a list. <br> - Apostrophe (contractions). <br> - Begin to use inverted commas | - Correct use of inverted commas for direct speech. | - Apostrophe for singular \& plural possession. <br> - Comma after fronted adverbial (e.g. Later that day, I heard bad news.). <br> - Use commas to mark clauses. | - Brackets. Dashes. Commas. <br> - Commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity. <br> - Link clauses in sentences using a range of subordinating \& coordinating conjunctions. <br> - Use verb phrases to create subtle differences (e.g. she began to run). | - Semi-colon, colon, dash to mark the boundary between independent clauses. <br> - Correct punctuation of bullet points. <br> - Hyphens to avoid ambiguity. <br> - Full range of punctuation matched to requirements of text type. |
|  |  | - Clearly sequenced sentences [as introduction to paragraphs]. | - Write under headings [as introduction to paragraphs]. | - Group ideas into paragraphs around a theme. <br> - Write under headings \& subheadings. | - Use connectives to link paragraphs. <br> - Organise paragraphs around a theme. | - Consistently organise into paragraphs. <br> - Link ideas across paragraphs using adverbials of time (e.g. later), place (e.g. nearby) and number (e.g. secondly). | - Wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs. <br> - Use paragraphs to signal change in time, scene, action, mood or person. |
|  |  | - Include a simple beginning, middle and end in writing. <br> - Re-read what has been written to check it makes sense. <br> - Read aloud own writing clearly enough to be heard by peers and the teacher. | - Write for different purposes (including poetry) <br> - Proof read to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation. <br> - Re-read writing to check for correct and consistent tense. | - Assess the effectiveness of own and others' writing. <br> - Proof read for spelling, grammar and punctuation errors and self-correct. | - Creates settings, characters and plot in narratives. <br> - Writes non-narratives using appropriate organisational devices. <br> - Assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggests improvements. | - Use own reading, what is listened to and what is seen as models to support the development of character, setting and atmosphere. <br> - Proof read own work for spelling and punctuation errors. | - Use drafting <br> - Précis longer passages appropriately. <br> - Proof read writing for wider audience to ensure accuracy of spelling and punctuation. |
|  | - Use a pencil and hold it effectively to form recognisable letters, most of which are formed correctly | - Sit correctly at the table and holds a pencil comfortably and correctly. <br> - Spaces evident between words. <br> - Correct formation of lower case - finishing in right place and capital letters. <br> - Correct formation of digits 0-9 | - Evidence of diagonal \& horizontal strokes to join. <br> - Words are almost always appropriately and consistently spaced in relation to the size of the letters. | - Legible, joined handwriting. <br> - Use diagonal and horizontal strokes to join letters and understand which letters when adjacent to one another are not joined. | - Legible, joined handwriting of consistent quality (e.g. by ensuring the down strokes of letters are parallel equidistant; that lines of writing are spaced sufficiently so that ascenders and descenders of letters do not touch) | - Legible and fluent style. | - Legible, fluent and personal style with increasingly efficient speed. <br> - Know which letters join and which writing implement is best suited to a task. |
|  | - Use phonic knowledge to write simple regular words and make phonetically plausible attempts at more complex words | - Sound blending new words | - Applying phonic knowledge to spell an increasing number of complex words. <br> - Recognizing phonic irregularities | - Prefixes and suffixes <br> - Unusual spellings eg - ure, ch <br> - Homophones <br> - Word Lists 3 and 4 | ue, que, | - Word endings eg. - cious, ti <br> - Use of hyphens <br> - Silent letters <br> - Homophones <br> - Word Lists 5 and 6 | cial etc. |

