

"Being the best we can be"



Writing Curriculum Plan 2022-2023

Levendale Curriculum Intent Statement

At Levendale, the curriculum is based on a carefully considered progression of transferable skills and knowledge acquisition from 3-11. The Levendale Curriculum is tailored to our local area and context, allowing children to acquire relevant knowledge and skills whilst allowing them to appreciate the historical and cultural importance of both their local area and other areas of the country and world. Children are encouraged to develop life skills that can be applied in a wide range of disciplines to prepare them to make a positive contribution to society.



Our curriculum fosters a deep-rooted love of learning through developing the key skills of questioning, investigating and evaluating. Children are encouraged to be resilient and increasingly independent learners in all areas; they demonstrate positive attitudes to learning and apply key skills in multi-disciplinary areas through meaningful links across curriculum areas. Children develop a base of secure factual knowledge through appropriate support and challenge for all.

Learning experiences should be stimulating, engaging, purposeful, relevant and accessible to all, taking account of prior learning and giving all children the opportunity to consolidate and embed their understanding and knowledge across all subject areas. Children should be encouraged to develop an appreciation and understanding of the world in which they live, at both local, national and global levels. The curriculum should be responsive to individual and/or cohort need, taking into account changes at local, national and global levels. Children should depart from Levendale in Y6 having had the opportunities and experiences necessary to take responsibility for their own learning at K53 and beyond whilst being willing and able to make positive contributions to wider society. Children should be encouraged to fulfil their potential and be given the opportunities to do so, whether in curriculum areas, through extracurricular provision or through established links with other agencies or individuals.

Assessment is used to form meaningful and relevant judgements on a child's progress and attainment at regular points throughout the year. Assessment, both formative and summative, informs planning and provision, addresses gaps in learning where these are evident and offers support and challenge where required.

Writing Curriculum Intent Statement

At Levendale, we encourage our writers to be independent and confident so that, by the time they leave us, they are able to make their own choices in their writing and can confidently use their writing skills to respond to any given task.

We recognise that some learners will favour certain types of writing over others, so we ensure that all learners are given the opportunity throughout the year to show their true potential by giving them a range of writing activities. Children will be encouraged to write for a range of purposes:

- To entertain
- To inform
- To persuade
- To discuss

At the end of every term from Y1 onward, we ensure learners are given the chance to complete an independent learning task where they are able to control an element of the writing outcome and make their own decisions. In Early Years, opportunities for independent choices in their writing are threaded throughout.

From EYFS to the end of Y6, we ensure all children can access age-appropriate writing opportunities and we ensure progression is made throughout the genres taught and throughout year groups.

At EYFS, learners are engaged to write and are enthused to write; at KS1, we write to entertain and inform; at Lower KS2 (in Years 3 & 4), we also begin to explore the language of persuasion and at Upper KS2 (in Years 5 & 6), we explore the full range of purposes for writing, including how to develop the language of discussion. Children also have more opportunities to show how their own independent choices impact on the audience in the writing they produce.

Written composition

Children's writing generally develops at a slower pace than their reading. Before they can write independently in a way that can be read by others, they need to know:

- what they want to say
- how to identify sounds in words
- at least one way to spell each of the sounds of English
- how to form letters.

At Levendale, we teach children these early skills through the use of a systematic, synthetic phonics programme. The programme we use is *Little Wandle Letters & Sounds Revised* (please see Reading Curriculum Plan for further information). Once children can read and

spell words using Phase 5 GPCs with fluency and accuracy and associated tricky words, we begin to teach further spelling patterns in line with the National Curriculum 2014.

Our chosen spelling programme is 'No-nonsense Spelling', which is taught from Years 2-6 once children are secure with Phase 5 GPCs. The programme builds on the strong foundations of phonics teaching from *Little Wandle Letters & Sounds Revised*, by supporting children in understanding morphology, spelling strategies, the orthographic nature of words, patterns, word origins, common exception words and personal spellings. It follows a model of five spelling sessions across two weeks (although in Year 2 these are daily).

At Levendale, we teach spelling and apply it in spelling sessions and writing across the curriculum. As such, we do not send home lengthy lists of spellings to be learned, instead we focus on a maximum of 5 words to send home, where appropriate, linked to weekly spelling teaching.

In each child's Writing journey at Levendale, we endeavour to ensure challenge within a supportive environment where we strive to Be The Best We Can Be.

Curriculum coverage across YR-Y6

| YR | | |
|--------|--|---|
| Autumn | Oral blending segmenting Phase 2 letters taught in order (Letters and Sounds) As each letter is introduced we also practise the letter formation (cursive script) CVC words (phase 2, as per letter sets) Name writing Labels - not limited to spells / potion ingredients CVC words that rhyme Captions Writing a letter to Santa Lists ingredients, children's names, Christmas presents. | Throughout Reception, much additional writing takes place as children gain confidence in their own ability and begin to write about things that engage them and their own interests, thus building confidence and stamina for writing. |
| Spring | Phase 3 digraphs and trigraphs taught Introduction of Red and Green for marking Correct punctuation- Capital letter, finger spaces, full stops Simple sentences to accompany a picture Instructions- bird seed cakes, pizza, Simple stories. 3 sentences+ Lists of ingredients Labels Recount (news) Pie Corbett- Little Red Hen | roughout Reception, much additional writing takes place as children gain confidence in their ov ability and begin to write about things that engage them and their own interests, thus building confidence and stamina for writing. |
| Summer | Phase 4 CCVC CVCC and Phase 3 consolidation Longer stories Recounts Instructions Other child initiated writing Lots of self-assessment | confidence in their own nterests, thus building |

| Y1 | To entertain | To inform |
|--------|--|--|
| Autumn | Stories from familiar settings Stories with repetitive language Poetry | Recounts (holidays) Labels and captions Instructions Letters to Santa |
| Spring | Stories with predictable language Traditional tales Poetry | Letters Recounts Information text |
| Summer | Stories with predictable language Fantasy stories Poetry | Alphabetical order – information page Recounts (Saltburn visit) |

| Y2 | To entertain | To inform |
|--------|--|---|
| Autumn | Diary entry Poetry Narrative Fantasy setting | Non-chronological report Explanation text Recount/letter/instructions |
| Spring | Narrative Setting description Character description Poetry | Letters and postcards Recount/letter/instructions |
| Summer | Narrative Diary Character description Writing in role | Letters Instructions Information text |

| Y3 | To entertain | To inform | To persuade |
|--------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| _ | Narrative | Instructions | |
| | Character description | Recount | Advert |
| Autumn | Setting description | Letter | Advert |
| • | Poetry | Information text | |
| | Character/setting | Letter | |
| ing | description | Recount | Poster |
| Spring | Narrative | Non-chronological | Postei |
| | | report | |
| | Narrative | | |
| er | Character/setting | Explanation text | |
| Summer | description | Letter | Letter |
| Suı | Poetry | Recount | |
| | Playscript | | |

| Y4 | To entertain | To inform | To persuade |
|--------|---|--|--------------------|
| Autumn | Narrative Character description Setting description Poetry | Format letter Diary Recount | Poster |
| Spring | Narrative Narrative (action) Poetry | Letter Recount Non-chronological report | Letter |
| Summer | Narrative Character/setting description Playscript | Diary Non-chronological report Explanation text Biography | Independent choice |

| Y5 | To entertain | To inform | To persuade | To discuss |
|--------|---|---|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Autumn | Folk tales Narrative Poetry | Biography Diary Non- chronological report | Letter | Newspaper report |
| Spring | Narrative (retelling) Narrative Character description | Recount Explanation text | Advert | Review |
| Summer | Narrative Setting description Poetry | Newspaper article Report | Speech/personal choice | Balanced argument |

| Y6 | To entertain | To inform | To persuade | To discuss |
|--------|---|--|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Autumn | Folktales Narrative Poetry | Biography Recount (choice) Non- chronological report | Independent choice | Balanced argument |
| Spring | Narrative Poetry | Biography Non- chronological report | Review | |
| Summer | Most writing this term is a direct result of choices given to Year 6 Stimuli includes: Alma (Literacy shed); Persuasion (Ancient Maya – choice); It's my favourite meal; Letter (choice – audience / purpose); Information text (choice / imaginative piece) | | | |

Skills progression across Y1-Y6

Transcription/spelling

| Y1 | Makes phonically plausible attempts at spelling unfamiliar words Spells most of the Y1 common exception words correctly Can spell words containing each of the 40+ phonemes (not explicitly) |
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| | Applies taught rules to spell correctly some words from NC Appendix 1: Spelling for Year 1 |
| | Forms most lower case letters the same size, relative to one another, and in the right orientation |
| | Handwriting is clear with most letters correctly formed (cursive style – lead in and lead out lines) |
| Y2 | Can segment spoken words into phonemes and represent these by graphemes, spelling many of these words correctly and making phonically-plausible attempts at others |
| | Spells many common exception words |
| | Spells more common words with contracted forms (don't, couldn't, can't, it's) |
| | Forms all letters correctly, including capital letters, using the right size and orientation |
| | Starts to use some of the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters |
| Y3 | Spells correctly many words from Year 3/4 spelling list |
| | Spells many words correctly following rules taught from NC spelling guidance for Y3/4 (NC Appendix 1) |
| | Uses diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join some letters and understand which letters are best left un-joined |
| Y4 | Spells correctly most words from Year 3/4 spelling list |
| | Spells most words correctly following rules taught from NC spelling guidance for Y3/4 (NC Appendix 1) |
| | Spells many common homophones and near homophones (NC Appendix 2) Increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting. |
| Y5 | Spells correctly many words from Year 5/6 spelling list |
| | Spells many words correctly following rules taught from NC spelling guidance for Y5/6 (NC Appendix 1) |
| | Writes legibly and fluently in a joined style |
| Y6 | Spells correctly most words from Y5/6 spelling list |
| | Spells most words correctly following rules taught from NC spelling guidance for Y5/6 (NC Appendix 1) |
| | Uses hyphens to join a prefix to a rood word |
| | Spells a wide range of homophones and other words that are often confused. |
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Grammar and punctuation

| Y1 | Uses spacing between words Parise to see that contains a social letters and full starts. |
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| | Begins to punctuate sentences using capital letters and full stops |
| | Uses capital letters correctly for names of people, places, the days of the week and the personal property 'I'. |
| | and the personal pronoun 'l' Begins to use other punctuation marks (question marks and exclamation marks) |
| Y2 | Demarcates most sentences with capital letters, full stops, question marks and |
| 12 | exclamation marks |
| | Uses commas to separate items in a list mostly correctly |
| | Can mark singular possession of nouns accurately (Alex's coat / The witch's |
| | cottage) |
| | Uses present and past tense correctly and consistently, including the progressive |
| | form (Olly is playing football / He was shouting) |
| Y3 | Uses a wider range of conjunctions including: if, when, because and although to |
| | extend the range of sentences with more than one clause |
| | Uses conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time, place and cause |
| | (e.g. before, after, while, so, then, next, soon, therefore, during) |
| | Uses examples of the present perfect form of the verb instead of the simple past |
| | Uses the correct form of 'a' or 'an' depending on whether the next word begins with a consequent an account. |
| | with a consonant or a vowel |
| | Correctly demarcates sentences with capital letters, full stops, question marks, exclamation marks and commas for lists |
| | Uses capital letters for proper nouns |
| | Records direct speech in sentences and mostly uses inverted commas correctly |
| | Attempts to use other speech punctuation |
| | Uses and maintains the appropriate verb tense in most of their writing |
| Y4 | Uses appropriate choice of pronoun or noun within and across sentences to aid |
| • • | cohesion and avoid repetition |
| | Uses tenses accurately and consistently through a piece of work |
| | Correctly demarcates sentences with capital letters, full stops, question marks, |
| | exclamation marks and commas for lists |
| | Uses inverted commas |
| | Uses a comma and other punctuation to indicate direct speech |
| | Uses commas after fronted adverbials |
| \ | Uses apostrophes to mark plural possession |
| Y5 | • Uses relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose and that |
| | Uses expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely Indicates degrees of possibility using adverbs (e.g. perhaps, possibly, surely) or |
| | Indicates degrees of possibility using adverbs (e.g. perhaps, possibly, surely) or modal verbs (e.g. might, should, will, must) |
| | Correctly uses apostrophes for possession and contraction |
| | Uses brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis |
| | Uses commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity |
| | Uses a colon to introduce a list |
| Y6 | Knows and uses sentence structure typical of informal speech and structures |
| | appropriate for formal speech and writing e.g. the use of contractions |
| | Correct subject and verb agreement used consistently |
| | Mostly selects vocabulary and grammatical structures that reflect what the |
| | writing requires (passive verbs, modal verbs) |
| | Punctuate bullet points consistently |
| | Use the range of punctuation taught at KS2 mostly accurately |
| | Use hyphens to avoid ambiguity |
| | Use a colon or semi-colon to mark the boundary between independent clauses |
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Composition

| Y1 | Can write simple sentences that make sense |
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| | Writes more than five sentences sequentially to form short narratives |
| | Uses own ideas when writing |
| | Joins any sentence with a conjunction |
| | Uses time connectives to make simple connections between ideas and events (last week, first, |
| | next, then, finally), including those to show the start and end of a text (Once upon a time, One |
| | day, they all lived happily ever after) |
| | With support, proof-reads work to ensure writing makes sense |
| Y2 | Confidently writes sustained, coherent narratives about personal experiences and those of |
| . – | others |
| | Uses expanded noun phrases to describe and specify (the blue butterfly) |
| | • Uses a range of subordination (when, if, that or because) and co-ordination (or, and, so, but) |
| | • Starts to use different sentence types such as statements, questions, exclamations and commands |
| | Mostly chooses the correct homophones and near-homophones correctly when writing |
| | Proof-reads to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation, ensuring their writing |
| | makes sense |
| Y3 | Write a narrative structure with a simple plot including a beginning, middle and end |
| 13 | Begins to develop character and settings |
| | Organises ideas in a logical sequence |
| | Begins to use paragraphs to organise ideas around a theme |
| | Begins to demonstrate an understanding of audience and purpose |
| | Is able to suggest improvements to their own writing and the writing of others, assessing the |
| | effectives of their own and others' writing |
| Y4 | Establishes a clear purpose throughout a piece of writing, showing an awareness of audience |
| 14 | Uses the main features of a narrative structure including beginnings, settings, characters, phot |
| | and endings |
| | Uses fronted adverbials |
| | Varies the range and position of conjunctions in sentences including e.g. while, since, unless, |
| | though, although |
| | Uses expanded noun phrases by the addition of modifying adjectives and prepositional phrases |
| | Uses paragraphs to organise ideas around a theme |
| | Uses appropriate headings and sub-headings to structure a wider range of non-narrative texts to |
| | make information clear and cohesive |
| | Can proof read their own and others' writing for spelling and punctuation and errors and to |
| | make improvements, using a dictionary where appropriate |
| Y5 | Writes for a range of purposes and audiences and is beginning to show good awareness of the |
| 13 | reader |
| | In narratives, describes settings, characters and atmosphere |
| | Selects the appropriate tense for a range of writing (e.g. diary, story, recount) and use |
| | consistently |
| | Uses devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs (e.g. then, after that, this, firstly) |
| | Uses a variety of simple, compound and complex sentences to create specific effects or add |
| | detail |
| | Begins to integrate dialogue into narratives to convey character and advance the action |
| | In non-narrative writing, uses simple devices to structure the text and support the reader (e.g. |
| | headings, sub-headings, bullet points) |
| | Uses the first 3 or 4 letters of a word to check spelling, meaning, or both, in a dictionary |
| | Assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writing by proof-reading |
| VC | Writes effectively for a range of purposes and audiences, selecting language that shows good |
| Y6 | awareness of the reader |
| | In narratives, describes settings, characters and atmosphere showing a good awareness of |
| | audience and purpose |
| | Integrates dialogue into narratives to convey character and advance the action |
| | Uses a wider range of devices to build cohesion including: conjunctions, synonyms, adverbials |
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| | of time and place, pronouns, synonyms and ellipsis Uses a variety of sentence structures to build up detail and selects appropriate gramma and |
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| | vocabulary to change and enhance meaning |
| | Proof reads own work carefully for spelling mistakes, correct use of grammar including consistent verb tense and punctuation |
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<u>Progression within expected Writing outcomes across different genres at Levendale:</u>

| To entertain: narrative | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
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| The purpose of narrative can | Simple narratives and | Narratives and | Narratives and | Narratives and | Narratives and | Narratives and |
| be defined simply as to tell a | retellings are told/ | retellings are told/ | retellings are written | retellings are | retellings are | retellings are |
| story. However, that does not | written in first or third | written in | in first | written in the | written in first | written in first |
| convey the many purposes of | person. | first or third person | or third person. | first or third | or third person. | or third person. |
| stories and the way that | Simple narratives are | Narratives and | Narratives and | person. | Narratives and | Narratives and |
| they work at different levels. | told/ written in past | retellings are told/ | retellings are written | Narratives and | retellings are | retellings are |
| The purpose of a narrator is to | tense. | written in | in past | retellings are | written in past | written in past |
| make the listener or reader | Events are sequenced | past tense | tense, occasionally | written in the | tense, occasionally | tense, occasionally |
| respond in a particular way. | to create texts that | Events are | these are told in the | past tense, | these are told in | these are told in |
| Stories are written or told to | make sense. | sequenced to create | present tense. | occasionally these | the | the |
| entertain and enthral an | The main | texts that | Events are | are told in the | present tense. | present tense. |
| audience. Stories can make us | participants are human | make sense. | sequenced to create | present tense. | Narratives are | Narratives are |
| sad, horrify us, make us laugh, | or animal. | • The main | chronological | Events are | told sequentially | told sequentially |
| make us excited. They create | Simple narratives use | participants are | plots through the use | sequenced to | and non- | and non- |
| imaginative worlds that can | typical characters, | human or animal. | of adverbials and | create chronology | sequentially | sequentially |
| help us understand | settings and events | They are simply | prepositions. | through the use of | (e.g. flashbacks) | (e.g. flashbacks), |
| ourselves and the things | whether imagined or | developed as either | Descriptions, | adverbials and | through the use | exercising |
| around us and take us beyond | real. | good or | including those of | prepositions | adverbials and | conscious control |
| our own experience. From the | 'Story language' (e.g. | bad characters. | settings, are | Descriptions, | prepositions. | over levels of |
| earliest times, stories have | once upon a time, later | Simple narratives | developed through | including those of | Descriptions of | formality. |
| been a part of the way that | that day etc.) may be | use typical | the use of adverbials, | settings, are | characters, setting, | Descriptions of |
| people have | used to create | characters, | e.g. | developed through | and | characters, setting, |
| explained their world, passed | | settings and events | in the deep dark | the use of | atmosphere are | and |
| on their beliefs and memories | | whether imagined | woods | adverbials, e.g. | developed through | atmosphere are |
| and entertained one another. | | or | Narratives use | in the deep dark | confident | developed |
| | | real. | typical characters, | woods | vocabulary choices | through precise |
| | | Language choices | settings | Narratives use | e.g. adverbs, | vocabulary choices |
| | | help create realistic | and events whether | typical characters, | adjectives, | e.g. adverbs, |
| | | sounding | imagined or real. | settings | precise nouns, | adjectives, |
| | | narratives. e.g. | Dialogue begins to | and events | expressive verbs | precise nouns, |
| | | adverbs, adjectives, | be used to convey | whether imagined | and | expressive verbs |
| | | precise nouns | characters' thoughts | or real. | figurative language | and |
| | | (turquoise instead of | and to move the | Dialogue is used | to consciously | figurative |
| | | blue, | narrative forward. | to convey | engage the reader. | language, using |
| | | | | characters' | | what they have |

| To inform: reports | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|---|---|--|---|---|--|---|
| Common forms of report text: Describing aspects of daily life in history (e.g. fashion, transport, buildings) • Describing the characteristics of anything (e.g. particular animals or plants; the planets I the solar system, different rocks and materials; mythological • creatures) • Comparing and describing localities or geographical features • Describing the characteristics of religious groups and their lifestyles in RE • Information leaflets • Tourist guidebooks • Encyclopaedia entries • Magazine articles | Although, the Year 1 curriculum asks pupils to sequence sentences to write short narratives, simple non-chronological reports can be written about topics with which pupils are familiar. These should use the grammar and punctuation objectives listed in the National Curriculum for Year 1. | Use present and past tense throughout writing Questions can be used to form titles Question marks are used to denote questions (Y1) Use conjunctions e.g. because to aid explanation Use adjectives including comparative adjectives to create description | Express time, place and cause using conjunctions (e.g. so, because), adverbs and prepositions Headings and subheadings used to aid presentation | Create cohesion through the use of nouns and pronouns Use of paragraphs to organise ideas | Create cohesion within paragraphs using adverbials Parenthesis can be used to add additional information Use layout devices to provide additional information and guide the reader | Use vocabulary typical of informal speech and that appropriate for formal speech in the appropriate written forms The passive voice can be used Create cohesion across paragraphs using a wider range of cohesive devices such as organisational features, headings and questions. |

| To inform: recounts | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|---|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| Structure often includes: orientation such as scenesetting or establishing context (It was the school holidays. I went to the park) an account of the events that took place, often in chronological order (The first person to arrive was) some additional detail about each event (He was surprised to see me.) reorientation, e.g. a closing statement that may include elaboration. (I hope I can go to the park again next week. It was fun.) Structure sometimes reorganises the chronology of events using techniques such as flashbacks, moving the focus backwards and forwards in time, but these strategies are more often used in fiction recounts | Although, the Year 1 curriculum asks pupils to sequence sentences to write short narratives, simple recounts and retellings can be written about experiences with which pupils are familiar. These should use the grammar and punctuation objectives listed in the National Curriculum for Year 1. | Use past and present tense throughout writing Use progressive forms of verbs Use conjunctions for coordination and subordination Use of noun phrases | Express time, place and cause using conjunctions (e.g. so, because), adverbs and prepositions Inverted commas can be used to punctuate direct speech | Use of paragraphs to organise ideas Effective use of expanded noun phrases Fronted adverbials (e.g. Later that day) | Use of the past perfect Modals can be used to indicate degrees of possibility Create cohesion within paragraphs using adverbials | Use of the past perfect progressive form of verbs Adapt degrees of formality and informality to suit the form of the text Create cohesion across paragraphs using a wider range of cohesive devices which can include adverbials |

| To inform: non-chronological reports | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|---|--|---|--|--|--|---|
| General structure: A general statement to introduce the topic being explained. E.g. In the winter some animals hibernate. • The steps or phases in a process are explained logically, in order. E.g. When the nights get longer because the temperature begins to drop so the hedgehog looks for a safe place to hide. | Although, the Year 1 curriculum asks pupils to sequence sentences to write short narratives, simple recounts and retellings can be written about experiences with which pupils are familiar. These should use the grammar and punctuation objectives listed in the National Curriculum for Year 1. | Consistent use of present tense Questions can be used to form titles Question marks are used to denote questions (Y1) Use conjunctions e.g. sobecause | Express time, place and cause using conjunctions (e.g. so, because), adverbs and prepositions Heading and subheadings used to aid presentation | Use fronted adverbials Use of paragraphs to organise ideas Create cohesion through the use of nouns and pronouns | Indicate degrees of possibility using adverbs and modal verbs Use layout devices to provide additional information and guide the reader Create cohesion within paragraphs using adverbials Relative clauses can be used to add further information Parenthesis can be used to add clarification of technical words | Adapt degrees of formality and informality to suit the form of the explanation Create cohesion across paragraphs using a wider range of cohesive devices which can include adverbials The passive voice can be used |
| To inform: instructions | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
| General structure: Begin by defining the goal or desired outcome. E.g. How to make a board game. • List any material or equipment needed, in order. Provide simple, clear instructions. If a process is to be undertaken, keep to the order in which the steps need to be followed to achieve the stated goal. • Diagrams or illustrations are often integral | Although, the Year 1 curriculum asks pupils to sequence sentences to write short narratives, simple instructions can be written. These should use the grammar and punctuation objectives listed in the National Curriculum for Year 1. | Use of command sentences Commas in lists | Express time, place and cause using conjunctions (e.g. so, because), adverbs and prepositions Heading and subheadings used to aid presentation | N/A | N/A | N/A |

| and may even take the place of some text. (Diagram B shows you how to connect the wires.) • A final evaluative statement can be used to wrap up the process. E.g. Now go and enjoy playing your new game. Your beautiful summer salad is now ready to eat. | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|---------------|---|--|---|--|
| General structure: An opening statement (thesis) that sums up the viewpoint being presented. (Greentrees Hotel is the best in the world. School uniform is a good idea.) • Strategically organised information presents and then elaborates on the desired viewpoint. (Vote for me because I am very experienced. I have been a school councillor three times and I have) • A closing statement repeats and reinforces the original thesis. (All the evidence shows that It's quite clear that Having seen all that we offer you, there can be no doubt that we are the best.) | Year 1 N/A | Year 2 N/A | Written in present tense Rhetorical questions Effective use of noun phrases 3 Express time, place and cause using conjunctions (e.g. so, because), adverbs and prepositions Use present perfect form of verbs | Year 4 Create cohesion through the use of nouns and pronouns Use adverbials e.g. therefore, however Use paragraphs to organise ideas Effective use of expanded noun phrases | Modals can be used to suggest degrees of possibility Create cohesion within paragraphs using adverbials | Make formal and informal vocabulary choices Adapt degrees of formality and informality to suit the form of the text The passive voice can be used in some formal persuasive texts Use conditional forms such as the subjunctive form to hypothesise Create cohesion across paragraphs using a wider range of cohesive devices which can include adverbials |

| To discuss | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| The most common structure | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | Consistent use of | Create cohesion |
| includes: | | | | | present tense (Y2) | across paragraphs |
| a statement of the issues | | | | | Use present perfect | using a wider |
| involved and a preview of the | | | | | form of verbs (Y3) | range of cohesive |
| main arguments; | | | | | Effective use of | devices which can |
| arguments for, with | | | | | noun phrases | include adverbials |
| supporting | | | | | Use of paragraphs | Make formal and |
| evidence/examples; | | | | | to organise ideas | informal |
| arguments against or | | | | | Use adverbials e.g. | vocabulary choices |
| alternative views, with | | | | | therefore, | Use the passive |
| supporting evidence/examples. | | | | | however | voice to present |
| Another common structure | | | | | Heading and | points of view |
| presents the | | | | | subheadings used | without |
| arguments 'for' and 'against' | | | | | to aid presentation | Adapt degrees of |
| alternatively. | | | | | (Y3) | formality and |
| Discussion texts usually end | | | | | Create cohesion | informality to suit |
| with a summary and | | | | | within paragraphs | the form of the |
| a statement of | | | | | using adverbials | discussion |
| recommendation or | | | | | Use layout devices | Use conditional |
| conclusion. | | | | | to provide | forms such as the |
| The summary may develop | | | | | additional | subjunctive form |
| one particular viewpoint using | | | | | information and | to hypothesise |
| reasoned judgements based on | | | | | guide the reader | Make formal and |
| the evidence provided | | | | | | informal |
| | | | | | | vocabulary choices |
| | | | | | | Use semi-colons, |
| | | | | | | colons and dashes |
| | | | | | | to make |
| | | | | | | boundaries |
| | | | | | | between clauses |

Levendale Writing Termly Expectations by Year Group

If a child is to meet expected standard by the end of each year group, these are our end of term expectations in writing.

Reception / EYFS 2

A child working at the 'expected standard' in this year group would be able to do the following at the end of each term:

Autumn Term

- to be able to write any phase 2 grapheme
- to be able to write the tricky words is, I, the, as, and, has, his, her, go, no, to, into, she, he, of, we, me, be
- To be able to segment and write CVC words using phase 2 graphemes
- To be able to write Christian name
- To write labels and captions

Spring Term

- To be able to write any phase 3 tricky word: was, you, they, my, by, all, are, sure, pure
- To segment and write words containing Phase 3 graphemes
- To write short sentences

Summer Term

- To be able to write any phase 4 tricky word: said, so, have, like, some, come, love, do, were, here, little, says, there, when, what, one, out, today
- To segment and write words containing Phase 4 graphemes
- To write full name (first name and Surname)
- To use correct punctuation (full stop, capital letter, finger space)
- To write in full sentences
- To write for a range of purposes (story, letter, instructions, labels)

Ongoing

letter formation

Year 1

A child working at the 'expected standard' in this year group would be able to do the following at the end of each term:

Autumn Term

- Makes phonetically plausible attempts at spelling unfamiliar words
- Forms most lowercase letters the same size, relative to one another, and the right orientation
- Can write simple sentences that make sense
- Uses own ideas when writing
- Uses spaces between words
- Begin to use full stops
- Uses capital letters correctly for persona pronoun 'I'

Spring Term

- Joins sentences with any conjunction
- Uses Time Connectives to make simple connections between ideas and events) last week, first, next, then, finally), including those to show the start and end of a text (once upon a time, one day, they all lived happily ever after)
- Begins to punctuate sentences using capital letters and full stops
- Uses capital letters correctly for people, days of the week

Summer Term

- Handwriting is clear with most letters correctly formed (cursive print lead in and lead out lines)
- Writes more than 5 lines sequentially to form short narratives
- With support, proof reads work to ensure writing makes sense
- Uses capital letters correctly for names of places
- Is beginning to use other punctuation marks (question mark and exclamation mark)

- Spells correctly most of the tricky words taught in the order given in Little Wandle Letters & Sounds revised
- Can spell words containing each of the 40 + phonemes (not explicitly)
- Spells correctly some words from NC Appendix 1: Spellings for Year 1

A child working at the 'expected standard' in this year group would be able to do the following at the end of each term:

Autumn Term

- Uses present and past tense correctly and consistently, including the progressive form (Ollie is playing football / He was shouting
- Uses commas to separate items in a list mostly correctly
- Uses expanded noun phrases to describe and specify (the blue butterfly)
- Starts to use some of the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters

Spring Term

- Confidently writes sustained coherent narratives about personal experiences and those of others (fiction or nonfiction/real events)
- Forms all letters correctly, including capital letters, using the right size and orientation
- Spells more common words with contracted forms (don't, couldn't, can't, it's)
- Can segment spoken words into phonemes and represent these by graphemes, spelling many of these words correctly and making phonically-plausible attempts at others

Summer Term

- Spells many common exception words
- Uses a range of subordination (when, if, that or because) and co-ordination (or, and, so or but)
- Can mark singular possession of nouns accurately (Alex's coat / The witch's cottage
- Starts to use different sentence types such as statements, questions, exclamations and commands

- Demarcates most sentences with capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks
- Mostly chooses the correct homophones and near-homophones correctly when writing
- Proof-reads to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation, ensuring their writing makes sense

A child working at the 'expected standard' in this year group would be able to do the following at the end of each term:

Autumn Term

- Uses diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join some letters and understand which letters are best left unjoined
- Write a narrative structure with a simple plot including a beginning, middle and end
- Organises ideas in a logical sequence
- Begins to demonstrate an understanding of purpose and audience
- Uses the correct form of 'a' or 'an' depending on whether the next word begins with a consonant or vowel
- Uses capital letters for proper nouns

Spring Term

- Begins to develop character and settings
- Begins to use paragraphs to organise ideas around a theme
- Use a wider range of conjunctions including: if, when, because and although to extend the range of sentences with more than one clause.
- Uses conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time place and cause (e.g. before, after, while, so, then, next, soon, therefore, during)
- Correctly demarcates sentences with capital letters, full stops, question marks, exclamation marks and commas for lists
- Records direct speech in sentences and mostly uses inverted commas correctly

Summer Term

- Able to suggest improvements to their own writing and the writing of others assessing the effectiveness of their own and others writing
- To be able to proof read and suggest improvements to their own and others' writing
- Attempts to use other speech punctuation

- Spells correctly many words from the Year 3/4 spelling list (see National Curriculum Appendix 1)
- Spells many words correctly following rules taught from the National Curriculum spelling guidance for Y3/4 (see National Curriculum Appendix 1)
- Uses examples of the present perfect form of the verb instead of the simple past (e.g. He has gone out to play contrasted with He went out to play)
- Uses and maintains the appropriate verb tense in most of their writing

A child working at the 'expected standard' in this year group would be able to do the following at the end of each term:

Autumn Term

- Uses fronted adverbials (adverbs, prepositions)
- Uses expanded noun phrases by the addition of modifying adjectives and prepositional phrases (e.g the teacher expanded to the strict teacher with curly hair)
- Uses paragraphs to organise ideas around a theme
- Uses tenses accurately and consistently throughout a piece of work
- Correctly demarcates most sentences with capital letters, full stops, question marks, exclamation marks and commas for lists
- Uses inverted commas

Spring Term

- Uses the main features of a narrative structure including beginnings, settings, characters, plot and endings
- Varies the range and position of conjunctions in sentences including while, since, though and although
- Uses appropriate headings and sub-heading to structure a wider range of non-narrative texts to make information clear and cohesive
- Uses appropriate choice of pronoun or noun within and across sentences to aid cohesion and avoid repetition
- Uses a comma and other punctuation to indicate direct speech

Summer Term

- Spells many common homophones and near homophones (See National Curriculum Appendix 2)
- Increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting (e.g. by ensuring the down strokes of letters are parallel and equidistant; the ascenders and descenders of letters do not touch)
- Establishes a clear purpose throughout a piece of writing (e.g. to interest, inform, entertain or persuade the reader) showing an awareness of audience
- Uses commas after fronted adverbials
- Uses apostrophes for plural possession e.g. the girls' names

- Spells most words from Year 3/4 spelling list (National Curriculum Appendix 1)
- Spells most words correctly following rules taught from the National Curriculum spelling guidance for Y3/4 (see National Curriculum Appendix 1)
- Can proof read and edit their own and others' writing for spelling and punctuation errors and to make improvements, using a dictionary where appropriate

A child working at the 'expected standard' in this year group would be able to do the following at the end of each term:

Autumn Term

- In narratives, describes settings, characters and atmosphere
- Selects the appropriate tense for a range of writing (e.g. diary, story, recount) and use consistently
- Uses devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs (e.g. then, after that, this, firstly)
- Begins to integrate dialogue into narratives to convey character and advance the action
- In non-narrative writing, uses simple devices to structure the text and support the reader (e.g. headings, sub-headings, bullet points)
- Uses the first 3 or 4 letters of a word to check spelling, meaning, or both, in a dictionary

Spring Term

- Uses relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose and that
- Correctly uses apostrophes for possession and contraction
- Uses a variety of simple, compound and complex sentences to create specific effects or add detail
- Uses expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely
- Indicates degrees of possibility using adverbs (e.g. perhaps, possibly, surely) or modal verbs (e.g. might, should, will, must)

Summer Term

- Uses brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis
- Uses commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity
- Writes for a range of purposes and audiences and is beginning to show good awareness of the reader
- Uses a colon to introduce a list

- Spells correctly many words from Year 5/6 spelling list
- Spells many words correctly following rules taught from NC spelling guidance for Y5/6 (NC Appendix 1)
- Writes legibly and fluently in a joined style
- Assess the effectiveness of their own and others' writing by proof-reading

A child working at the 'expected standard' in this year group would be able to do the following at the end of each term:

Autumn Term

- Spells a wide range of homophones and other words that are often confused.
- In narratives, describes settings, characters and atmosphere showing a good awareness of audience and purpose.
- Correct subject and verb agreement is consistent when using singular and plural.

Spring Term

- Uses hyphens to join a prefix to a root word: co-ordinate, re-enter, cooperate.
- Uses a wider range of devices to build cohesion.
- Integrates dialogue into narratives to convey character and advance the action.
- Punctuate bullet points consistently.
- Use the range of punctuation taught at KS2 mostly accurately.
- Uses hyphens to avoid ambiguity.

Summer Term

- Writes effectively for a range of purposes and audiences, selecting language that shows good awareness of the reader.
- Uses a variety of sentence structures to build up detail and selects appropriate grammar and vocabulary understanding how such choices can change and enhance meaning.
- Knows and uses sentence structure typical of informal speech and structures appropriate for formal speech and writing.
- Mostly selects vocabulary and grammatical structures that reflect what the writing requires.
- Uses a wide range of punctuation accurately including a colon or semi-colon accurately to mark the boundary between independent clauses.

- Spells correctly most words from the Y5/6 spelling list (NC appendix 1).
- Spells most words correctly following rules taught from the NC spelling guidance for Y5/6.
- Maintain legibility in joined writing when writing at speed.
- Proof-reads own work carefully for spelling mistakes, correct use of grammar including consistent verb tense and punctuation, using a dictionary where appropriate.