

Year 1 Exceeding Expectations: Writing

- Write short stories about something personal to them
- Sequence a short story or series of events related to learning in science, history and geography
- Writing makes sense to the reader without additional explanation
- Confident in changing the way sentences start
- Make sentences longer and use words other than 'and' and 'then' to join ideas together
- Use new vocabulary for the first time in story or explanations and is excited about experimenting with new vocabulary
- Know which letters sit below the line and which are tall letters
- Consistent in use of lower case and capital letters
- Sound out spelling when not sure and come up with phonetically plausible attempts at spelling unfamiliar words
- Spell almost all words in the Year 1 list accurately.

A phoneme is the smallest unit of sound. This chart shows all the phonemes used when speaking English.

s sat	t tap	p pan	n nose	m mat	a ant	e egg	i ink	o otter
g goat	d dog	ck click	r run	h hat	u up	ai rain	ee knee	igh light
b bus	f farm	l lolly	j jam	v van	oa boat	oo cook	oo boot	ar star
w wish	x axe	y yell	z zap	qu quill	or fork	ur burn	ow now	oi boil
ch chin	sh ship	th think	th the	ng sing	ear near	air stair	ure sure	er writer

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This booklet has been produced as an aid to help you and your child with the skills that are required this year, these are the expectations for the end of year. In class, we will be working towards these goals throughout the year and would appreciate your help and support in doing this. These skills would be useful to refer to when supporting your child with their homework. Thank you.

Transcription: representation of language in written form (handwriting, spelling)

Composition: the mechanics of writing (language knowledge, organisation, grammar)



Year 1 Expectations: Transcription

- Sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably and correctly.
- Begin to form lower case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place
- Form capital letters and the digits 0-9
- Understand which letters belong to which handwriting 'families' (i.e. letters that are formed in similar ways) and to practise these
- Identify known phonemes (smallest unit of sounds) in unfamiliar words
- Use syllables to divide words when spelling
- Use knowledge of alternative phonemes to narrow down possibilities for accurate spelling
- Use the spelling rule for adding s or es for verbs in 3rd person singular
- Name the letters of the alphabet in order
- Use letter names to show alternative spellings of the same phoneme

Year 1 Expectations: Composition

- Compose a sentence orally before writing it
- Sequence sentences to form short narratives
- Sequence sentences in chronological order (the order of occurrence in time) to recount an event or an experience
- Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense
- Leave spaces between words
- Begin to punctuate sentences using a capital letter and a full stop, question mark or exclamation mark
- Use a capital letter for names of people, places, the days of the week, and the personal pronoun 'I'
- Use 'and' to join sentences together
- Know how the prefix (a word/group of letters placed before another word) 'un' can be added to words to change meaning
- Use the suffixes (word/group of letters placed after a word): s, es, ed, er and ing within their writing

