

Whole School Writing Genre Overview

	Our Place in Our World	Life Skills and Attitudes		Ambition and Possibilities		
	Self-Manager Effective Participator Resourceful Thinker Reflective Learner Independent Enquirer Team Worker					
Year Group	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Reception	<p>In Reception, writing is taught through a balance of explicit teaching and meaningful opportunities for children to apply their skills. Early mark making and writing are developed through structured handwriting lessons focused on correct letter formation, alongside purposeful writing opportunities across the provision, particularly within the Message Centre. Writing is supported through carefully chosen high-quality fiction and non-fiction texts that link to Reception topics, with a planned story spine running throughout the year and connecting key texts to our curriculum drivers and core values. Drawing Club further enhances imagination, language and confidence through shared stories, including books, well-known tales and animations, which underpin early writing.</p>					
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<p>Year 1</p>	<p>Journeys and Exploration</p> <p><u>Naughty Bus</u> Own adventure stories, letters, diaries, sequels, labels, captions, fact files, descriptions</p> <p><u>Astro Girl</u> Fact files, writing in role, commands, guides</p>	<p>Helpful Heroes</p> <p><u>Drangon Post Guide</u>, advice, instruction, speech bubbles, journey map, thought bubble</p> <p><u>Leo and the Octopus</u> Fact File, Posters, descriptions, logbooks, scripts, speech bubble</p>	<p>Similarities and Differences</p> <p><u>The Odd Egg</u> Non-fiction reports, Thought bubbles, guides, awards, letters, labels cards, commands</p> <p><u>The Comet</u> Own version narrative, posters, letters, poems, descriptions, writing in role, descriptions</p>	<p>Imagination and Creativity</p> <p><u>Dadaji's Paintbrush</u> Guides, labels, captions, comparisons, thought and speech bubbles</p> <p><u>Julian is a mermaid</u> Three verse poem, instructions, writing in role, advertisements, descriptions</p>	<p>Friendship and Kindness</p> <p><u>Beegu</u> Own version narrative, descriptions, commands, letters, disctionary, poems, non fiction reports, retellings, speech bubbles, labels</p> <p><u>Lubna and Pebble</u> Own version narrative, labels, notes, speech bubbles, postcards, instructions, character descriptions</p>	<p>Nature and Envrionment</p> <p><u>Stella and the Seagull</u> Own version narrative, lists, thought bubbles. Posters, speech bubbles, guides, instructions, retellings</p> <p><u>The Sea Saw</u> Own version narrative, writing in role, nots, missing posters, diary, letters, postcards</p>
<p>Year 2</p>	<p>Bravery vs Fear</p> <p><u>The Bear under the Stairs</u> Information texts, letters, retellings, own version narratives, rhymes</p> <p><u>The Bear and the Piano</u> Own version narratives, letters, reports, writing in roles, retellings,</p>	<p>A Twist in the Tale</p> <p><u>Wolves</u> Non-chronological leaflets, captions, information writing, letters, warning poster, labels</p> <p><u>Me & You</u> Sequel Stories, wanted</p>	<p>Creation and Conservation</p> <p><u>Dear Earth</u> Informative leaflet, future aspirations, instructions, poems, travel blogs, persuasive speeches, letters</p> <p><u>We are water protectors</u></p> <p>Environmental campaign, list poems,</p>	<p>Change and Relationships</p> <p><u>Grandads Camper</u> Sequel narratives, labels, memories, poems, interviews, captions, postcards</p> <p><u>If all the world were...</u></p>	<p>Fictional Worlds and fantasy</p> <p><u>The Dragon Machine</u> Own version stories, guides, letters, explanations, lists, descriptions, letters</p> <p><u>Lizzy and the Cloud</u> Guidebook, descriptions, adverts, letters,</p>	<p>Urban metropolis</p> <p><u>Rosie Revere, Engineer</u> Explanation text, short explanations, adverts, letters, descriptions</p> <p><u>Last Stop on Market Street</u> Own version narrative,</p>

	information posters, speech bubbles, postcards, thought bubbles.	posters, letters, retellings, character descriptions, captions	non-chronological reports, chronological reports, character descriptions, protest signs, fact files, warning signs, speeches	Non-narrative poem , writing in role, diaries, advice, short explanations, top tips	postcards, instructions	Poetry, character descriptions, interview questions, adverts, advice slips, letters
Year 3	<p>Magic and Wonder</p> <p><u>The Wilderness Guide to wilderness</u>, character introduction, letter of advice, poem, SOS message, identification label</p> <p><u>Leon and the Place Between</u> Own version fantasy narrative, persuasive poster, setting descriptions, though bubbles, diaries, dialogue, speech bubbles</p>	<p>Dreams and Curiosity</p> <p><u>The Barnabus Project</u> Brochures, instructional writing, descriptions, advertisements, letters, dialogue, diary entry</p> <p><u>The Seed of Doubt</u> Motivational leaflet, shared poems, dreams and aspirations, setting descriptions, etters, messages, speeches, character descriptions</p>	<p>Inspiration and Strength</p> <p><u>Cloud Tea Monkeys</u> Non-chronological reports, descriptions, instructions, letters, discussions, labels, thought bubbles</p> <p><u>Small in the City</u> Extended narratives, setting descriptions, poem, diary entry, dialogue, letter, lost poster</p>	<p>Hope and Resilience</p> <p><u>The Search for Giant Arctic Jellyfish</u> Non-chronological report, video messages, letters, diary entries, poetry speech bubbles</p> <p><u>Nen and the Lonely Fisherman</u> Own version narrative. Adverts, character descriptions, diary entries, message in a bottle, thought bubbles</p>	<p>Mystery to discovery</p> <p><u>Our Tower</u> Fantasy narratives, poems, setting descriptions, diary entires, dialogue, letter of thanks</p> <p><u>Escape from Pompeii</u> Newspaper reports, setting descriptions, diaries, letters, thought bubbles, descriptions.</p>	<p>Confidence and Caution</p> <p><u>The Thames Tide Club</u> Own version fantasy narrative, persuasive letters, advice letters, diary entries, weather reports, adverts, dialogue.</p> <p><u>The Zebra's Great Escape</u> Own version Narrative, wanted poster, letter, action scene, poetry, dialogue, setting descriptions</p>

<p>Year 4</p>	<p>Taking courage</p> <p><u>The Baker by the Sea</u> Tourist brochure, job applications, advertisements, setting descriptions, letters in role, poems, blurb</p> <p><u>Shackleton's Journey</u> Newspaper reports, Packing lists, letters, interviews, diaries, dialogue</p>	<p>Darkness and Light</p> <p><u>Frindleswylde</u> Narrative sequels, letters, voting slips, dialogue, poetry, bird-eye view description, speeches</p> <p><u>The Crown</u> Information text, descriptive labels, diary entry, poetry, poster, speech bubbles</p>	<p>Freedom and Flight</p> <p><u>Farther</u> Sequel stories, retellings, postcards, setting descriptions, instructions, letters</p> <p><u>Tar Beach</u> Narrative retelling playscript, poetry, setting descriptions, formal letters, dialogue, thought bubbles</p>	<p>Window to the world</p> <p><u>Granny Came Here on the Empire Windrush</u> Factual reports, informal letters, factual statements, future aspirations, postcards, diary entries, speech, quotations</p> <p><u>Pride: The Story of Harvey Milk and the Rainbow Flag</u> Biographies of Harvey Milk, thought bubbles, speech, leaflets, placards</p>	<p>Unearthing Civilisations</p> <p><u>Weslandia</u> Non-chronological report, captions, book review, character descriptions, retellings</p> <p><u>The Ever-Changing Earth</u> Narrative sequels, informal letters, explanatory leaflets, list poems, dictionaries, postcards, comparisons</p>	<p>Progress and Innovation</p> <p><u>Varmints</u> Explanations of a lifecycle, diary entries, instructions, letters, descriptions, speeches, thought bubbles, blurb</p> <p><u>The Iron Man</u> Mystery narratives, character descriptions, short news bulletins, letters of advice, diary entries, menus, logbook</p>
<p>Year 5</p>	<p>Ambition and aspiration</p> <p><u>Robot Girl</u> Science fiction narratives, discussions, debates, dialogue, character comparisons, reviews, action</p>	<p>Belnging and Equality</p> <p><u>The Lizzie and Belle Mysteries</u> Biographies, posters, diary entries, case notes, letters, character descriptions, fact files, persuasive</p>	<p>Legends and Folklore</p> <p><u>Rumaysa</u> Fairy tale prequel, warning poster, diaries, dialogue, missing narrative, adverts, letters, thought bubbles</p>	<p>Lessons from history</p> <p><u>Anne Frank</u> Newspaper articles. Letters, short descriptions, extended diary entries, obituaries, opinion pieces, dialogue</p>	<p>Power vs. Principles</p> <p><u>The Island</u> Narrative sequel from a different character's perspective. Welcome guide, description, letter of advice, diaries entry</p>	<p>Mystery and Truth</p> <p><u>High Rise</u> Mystery Extended stories, Character & setting descriptions, police & newspaper</p>

	<p>scene, email in role, setting descriptions, advice letters</p> <p><u>Hidden Figures</u> Non-chronological report, reports, letters, diaries, character descriptions, journalistic writing, job adverts</p>	<p>speeches, dialogues.</p> <p><u>The Lost Thing</u> Own version narratives, diaries, formal letters, adverts, character descriptions, how to..., retellings</p>	<p><u>The Whale</u> Film pitches, reported speeches, speech and thought bubbles, descriptions, recounts in role, letters to a newspaper editor, comparative descriptions</p>	<p><u>Children of the Benin Kingdom</u> Non-chronological reports Informal letters, diaries, survival guides, eyewitness reports, story summaries</p>	<p>in role, imagined conversation, news bulletin</p> <p><u>The Man who Walked Between the Towers</u> Biography Fact files, letters, diaries entries, interviews, news bulletins, persuasive speeches, journalistic writing</p>	<p>report, dialogue, persuasive letters, diary entry, manuals</p> <p><u>Curiosity Expanded explanations</u>, NASA Proposals, information labels, short explanations, NASA logs, news reports</p>
Year 6	<p><u>Journeys and Migration</u></p> <p><u>The Arrival</u> Extended own version narratives Character descriptions, diaries, short playscripts, short reports, guides, retelling, setting description (poster)</p> <p><u>Windrush child</u> Persuasive pitch to the council, Thought bubble, informal letter, poem, diary entry, advice, formal letter, speeches</p>	<p><u>Evolution and Inheritance</u></p> <p><u>Can we Save the Tiger?</u> Discussion texts Letters, explanations, persuasive posters & speeches, simple poems, descriptions of creatures</p> <p><u>The Last Bear</u> Newspaper article, Character profile, dialogue, monologue, logbook entry, scientific report</p>	<p><u>Utopia vs Dystopia</u></p> <p><u>Boy in the Tower</u> Own version narratives (past and present tense) Journalistic writing, formal letters, non-chronological reports, warning posters</p> <p><u>Paradise Sands</u> Narrative prequel, Descriptive story openings, informal notes of advice, formal letters in role, descriptive retellings,</p>	<p><u>Protest and activism</u></p> <p><u>Suffragette: the Battle for Equality</u> Persuasive campaigns, Formal letters, diaries, balanced arguments, speeches, short news reports</p> <p><u>Stonewall</u> A visitor's guide to The Stonewall Inn National Historic Landmark Adverts, short news reports, protest banners, writing in role</p>	<p><u>Fate vs free will</u></p> <p><u>The Wind in the Wall</u> Extended narrative Posters, figurative writing, descriptions, old English letter, speech bubbles, retellings, short dialogues</p> <p><u>Romeo and Juliet</u> Balanced argument Diaries, letters, character descriptions, police reports, retellings, dialogue, setting description</p>	<p><u>Crossing borders</u></p> <p><u>The Unforgotten Coat</u> Own version narrative. Diaries, explanations (science experiment), dialogue, non-chronological reports, short scene narrative prose</p> <p><u>Some Places more than Others</u></p>

conversations,
book reviews

**The Suitcase
Project
(collection of
poems)**

Transition project
to represent
children: maps,
recipes, poems,
photos and a
biography, lists,
persuasive letter,
diary entries,
leaflets