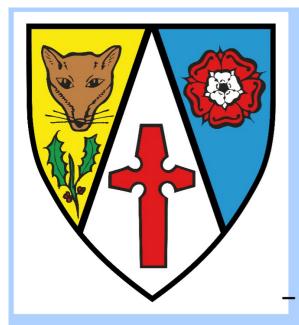
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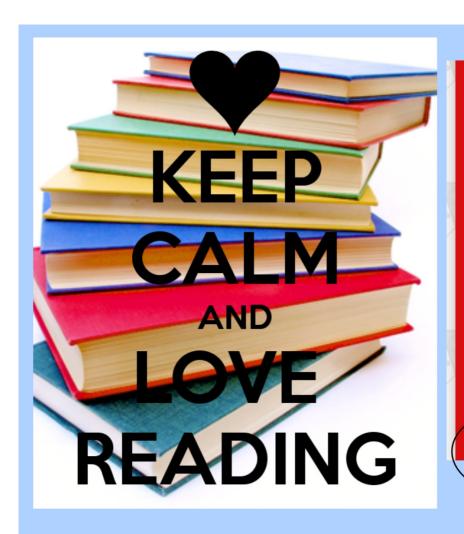
- Coverage

- How English is taught
- Expectations
- Outcomes



English is taught under four main headings within school. These are:

- Reading and Comprehension
- SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar)
- Writing
- Communication



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### Guided Reading

The aim of guided reading is to help foster a love of reading, promote discussion around texts and help children to develop other, specific skills outlined in the curriculum. It also acts as a great starting point for the week's writing task.



Throughout the year, children will read and interrogate a variety of text types including narrative, poetry, non-fiction, and video clips.

These texts often link to our topics or current affairs and we aim to make them as engaging and relevant as possible.

### Outcomes for Reading:

By Year 5, children should be fluent, enthuastic readers. Fluent word reading is assumed by the curriculum and much of the focus is on children's comprehension skills.

Rea	ding
Word Reading	Comprehension
To read words accurately Apply knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes.  (Note: this should be through normal reading rather than direct teaching.)	To understand texts Recommend books to peers, giving reasons for choices.  Identify and discuss themes and conventions in and across a wide range of writing.  Make comparisons within and across books.  Learn a wide range of poetry by heart.  Prepare poems and plays to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone and volume so that the meaning is clear to an audience.  Check that the book makes sense, discussing understanding and exploring the meaning of words in context.  Ask questions to improve understanding.  Draw inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence.  Predict what might happen from details stated and implied.  Summarise the main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph, identifying key details that support the main ideas.  Identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning.  Discuss and evaluate how authors use language, considering the impact on the reader.  Retrieve and record information from non-fiction.

books, taking turns and listening and responding to what others say.

### Reading with an adult

Children are able to visit the library to return and take out new books during DAB times and some lunchtimes. They may also bring in texts from home. Please encourage them to read a range of texts at an appropriate level of challenge.

Our aim this term is to read with every child every two weeks. However, children greatly benefit from reading daily and as often as possible with an adult.

When reading with someone else, children are able to:

- Ask and answer questions about the text
- Improve their vocabulary through discussion of unfamiliar words
- Have a dialogue around the text, talking about related matters
- Enjoy the experience: it's a wonderful chance to share and connect

## Spelling, Puntuation and Grammar (SPaG)



- Taught discretely once per week
- Taught in context throughout the curriculum
- Follows a scheme
- Appeals to lots of children as there is usually a "right" answer

## Outcomes for SPaG

yocabulary, Grammai				Curriculum I		
W	How words can combine to make sentences	Sequencing sentences to form short	Separation of words with spaces	https://www.gov.sk/government/publications/national/natio		
and Punctuation	Joining words and joining clauses using and	narratives	Introduction to capital letters, full stops,	Terminology for Pupils		
Word Structure  ular plural noun suffixes –s or –es (for example, dog, s; wish, wishes), including the effects of these suffixes on the	Subordination (using when, if, that, or because) and co-ordination (using or, and, or but)	Correct choice and consistent use of present tense and past tense throughout writing	question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences Capital letters for names and for the personal	letter, capital letter, word, singula plural, sentence, punctuation, full stop, question mark, exclamation		
ning of the noun	Expanded noun phrases for description and	Use of the progressive form of verbs in	pronoun /	mark  noun, noun phrase, statement, question, exclamation, command compound, suffix, adjective, adverb, verb, tense (past, presen apostrophe, comma		
fixes that can be added to verbs where no change is ded in the spelling of root words (e.g. helping, helped,	specification (for example, the blue butterfly, plain flour, the man in the moon)  How the grammatical patterns in a sentence	the present and past tense to mark actions in progress [for example, she is drumming, he was shouting]	Use of capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences			
v the prefix un-changes the meaning of verbs and actives [negation, for example, unkind, or undoing: until th	indicate its function as a statement, question,	Introduction to paragraphs as a way to group related material	Commas to separate items in a list			
g mation of <b>nouns</b> using <b>suffixes</b> such as –ness. –er and by	Expressing time, place and cause using conjunctions (for example, when, before, after,	Headings and sub-headings to aid presentation	Apostrophes to mark where letters are missing in spelling and to mark singular appropriate in neuron Management (the circle)	preposition conjunction, word family, prefix, clause, subordina		
pounding [for example, whiteboard, superman]	while, so, because], adverbs [for example, then, next, soon, therefore], or prepositions [for	Use of the present perfect form of verbs instead of the simple past [for example, He	possession in nouns (for example, the girl's name)	clause, direct speech, consonant, consonant letter vowel, vowel		
mation of adjectives using suffixes such as -ful, -less (A ir list of suffixes can be found in the spelling appendix.)	example, before, after, during, in, because of	has gone out to play contrasted with He went out to play]	Introduction to inverted commas to punctuate direct speech	letter, inverted commas (or 'speech marks')		
of the suffixes -er, -est in adjectives and the use of -ly in addrd English to turn adjectives into adverbs	Noun phrases expanded by the addition of modifying adjectives, nouns and preposition phrases (e.g. the teacher expanded to: the strict	Use of paragraphs to organise ideas around a theme	Use of inverted commas and other punctuation to indicate direct speech [for	determiner, pronoun, possessive pronoun, adverbial		
mation of nouns using a range of profixos [for example er–, anti–, auto–]	maths teacher with curty hair)  Fronted adverbials (for example, Later that day,	Appropriate choice of pronoun or noun within and across sentences to aid	example, a comma after the reporting clause; end punctuation within inverted commas: The conductor shouted, "Sit down!"	modal verb, relative pronoun, relative clause, parenthesis,		
e of the forms a or an according to whether the next word gins with a consonant or a vowel [for example, a rock, an	I heard the bad news.]	cohesion and avoid repetition	Apostrophes to mark plural possession [for	<ul> <li>bracket, dash, cohesion, ambigu subject, object, active, passive,</li> </ul>		
n box]	Relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that, or an omitted relative	Devices to build cohesion within a	example, the girl's name, the girls' names]	synonym, antonym, ellipsis, hyphen, colon, semi-colon, bullet points		
rd families based on common words, showing how words related in form and meaning (for example, solve, solution,	pronoun	paragraph (e.g. then, after that, this, firstly)	Use of commas after fronted adverbials			
er, dissolve, insoluble]	Indicating degrees of possibility using adverba	Linking ideas across paragraphs using	Brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis			
grammatical difference between plural and possessive -s ndard English forms for verb inflections instead of local	[for example, perhaps, surely] or modal verbs [for example, might, should, will, must]	adverbials of time [for example, later], place [for example, nearby] and number (for example, secondly) or tense choices	Use of commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity	Key:		
ken forms (e.g. we were instead of we was, or / did instead done)	Use of the passive to affect the presentation of information in a sentence (for example, I broke	Linking ideas across paragraphs using a	Use of the semi-colon, colon and dash to mark the boundary between independent	Wear 2  Year 3  Year 4		
verting nouns or adjectives into verbs using suffixes (for mple, –ate; –ise; –ity)	the window in the greenhouse versus The window in the greenhouse was broken (by me)].	wider range of cohesive devices: repetition of a word or phrase,	clauses [for example, It's raining; I'm fed up] Use of the colon to introduce a list and use of	eg year 3		
b prefixes (e.g. dis-, de-, mis-, over- and re-)	The difference between structures typical of	grammatical connections (for example, the use of adverbials such as on the other	semi-colons within lists	Year 4		
difference between vocabulary typical of informal speech vocabulary appropriate for formal speech and writing [for	informal speech and structures appropriate for formal speech and writing [for example, the use of question tags: He's your friend, isn't he?, or	hand, in contrast, or as a consequence], and ellipsis	Punctuation of bullet points to list information	Die meanings Tear 6		
mple, find out – discover; ask for – request; go in – enter] v words are related by meaning as synonyms and antonym: example, big, large, little].	the use of authiunctive forms such as M I were or	Layout devices, such as headings, sub- headings, columns, bullets, or tables, to	How hyphens can be used to avoid ambiguity [for example, man eating shark versus man- eating shark, or recover versus re-cover]	All term		

## Year 5 Grammar Glossary



Grammar term	What does it mean?
Ambiguity/ambiguous	If a phrase, clause or sentence is ambiguous, the meaning is not clear. Often, you can solve this problem by re-ordering the sentence or using more precise punctuation.  • I rode my horse wearing red pyjamas.  Is it the horse that's wearing pyjamas? Try  Wearing red pyjamas, I rode my horse.
Cohesion	A text which has cohesion fits logically together. The reader can see how one part moves on to another or how the end links back to the beginning. We use <b>cohesive devices</b> , such as connective phrases and determiners, to achieve cohesion.

Modal verb	Modal verbs add meaning to the main verb. Modal verbs only have a single form, so you don't add —ing or —s to them. Some common modal verbs are:  • Will, shall, should, can, could, must.
Parenthesis	We use parenthesis to add extra detail to a sentence which is already grammatically correct without it. We can use brackets, dashes or commas to separate the parenthetical information from the main sentence.  • Mrs. Jones (my teacher) works in Year 5.  • The product of four and nine — 36 — is a square number.  • Michael, who sits next to me, is brilliant at Art.
Relative pronoun	Relative pronouns (who, which, where, that, when) introduce a <b>relative clause</b> . They refer back to a noun or clause that we already know.
Relative clause	A relative clause is a special type of subordinate clause which adds extra information to another noun or clause.  • James, who never does his homework, is very lazy. [the extra clause tells us more about James]  • All the chocolate pudding was gone by the time I got in to lunch, which really annoyed me. [this refers to the whole previous clause about chocolate pudding]

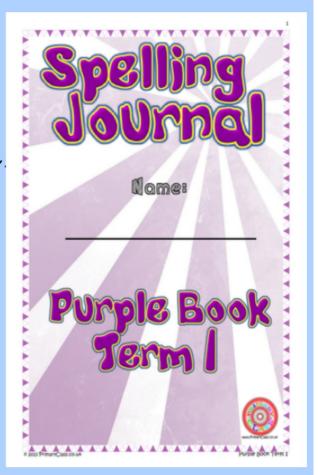
Spelling



Children are tested on Y5/6 statutory spellings or "BoB" words in Dictation. They are also encouraged to use them in their writing where appropriate. The full list of words is kept in the back of their English books, hence the name BoB.

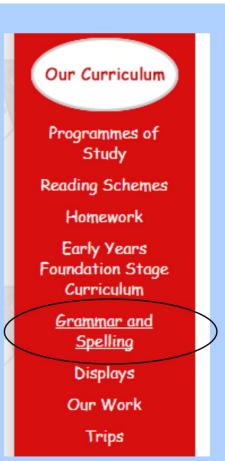
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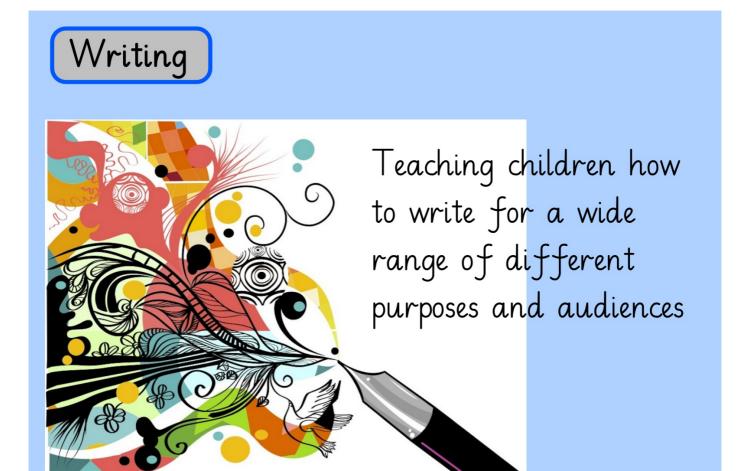
Children are tested on these words once a week. Each week children are expected to take the booklet home and practise the spellings using the "Look Cover Check" method and complete the wordsearch and anagram puzzle.



## Support for SPaG







### Outcomes for Writing

#### Composition

#### To write with purpose

- · Identify the audience for writing.
- Choose the appropriate form of writing using the main features identified in reading.
- · Note, develop and research ideas.
- · Plan, draft, write, edit and improve.

#### To use imaginative description

- Use the techniques that authors use to create characters, settings and plots.
- Create vivid images by using alliteration, similes, metaphors and personification.
- Interweave descriptions of characters, settings and atmosphere with dialogue.

#### To organise writing appropriately

- Guide the reader by using a range of organisational devices, including a range of connectives.
- Choose effective grammar and punctuation and propose changes to improve clarity.
- Ensure correct use of tenses throughout a piece of writing.

#### To use paragraphs

- Write paragraphs that give the reader a sense of clarity.
- Write paragraphs that make sense if read alone.
- · Write cohesively at length.

#### To use sentences appropriately

- · Write sentences that include:
  - relative clauses
  - · modal verbs
  - relative pronouns
  - brackets
  - parenthesis
  - a mixture of active and passive ice
  - · a clear subject and object
- hyphens, colons and semi colons
  - · bullet points.

#### Transcription

#### To present neatly

Write fluently and legibly with a personal style.

#### To spell correctly

- Use prefixes, applying guidelines for adding them.
- Spell some words with silent letters (knight, psalm solemn).
- Distinguish between homophones and other words that are often confused.
- Use knowledge of morphology and etymology in spelling and understand that some words need to be learned specifically.
- Use dictionaries to check spelling and meaning of words.
- Use the first three or four letters of a word to look up the meaning or spelling of words in a dictionary.
- Use a thesaurus.

#### Writing

We write for a range of purposes and audiences in Year 5 and aim to make these as relevant, engaging and enjoyable as possible. Lots of the texts we choose link to our curriculum topics or current affairs.

We generally have our creative writing sessions on Thursdays and they are the culmination of other aspects of English work from the rest of the week. These comprise an interactive, creative VCOP lesson and a dedicated writing lesson.

Children are given some time to plan their writing and are then expected to be able to write independently and at length for a sustained amount of time. During this time, they are encouraged to read back over their work and ensure they are meeting the success criteria and their personal writing targets.

## Success Criteria/WILFs

WILF stands for "What I'm Looking For" and is an acronym used by many schools. It breaks down the success criteria for meeting the objective. This is generally differentiated based on children's confidence with writing. The aim is for children to develop the ability to devise their own success criteria as they become more familiar with their targets and the key features of the genre.

WILF: Autobiography *	SA	PA	Teacher							
Correct punctuation										
Clear sentences										
Paragraphs		WILF		••						
Subheadings		**	biography	SA	PA	Teacher				
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#### Targets

Children are set individual targets each half term.

They are expected to focus on these targets in every piece of extended writing in every subject.

Sometimes they will be selected by the teacher, sometimes by the child and sometimes a combination of the two.

e.g.

- TI To make sure I am avoiding 'run-on sentences' and recognise when I should be using a full stop rather than a comma.
- T2 To up-level vocabulary used to describe emotions. 'Happy' and 'sad' have been banished!

Children should also be meeting these targets in their blue homework book. Please ask them to underline/highlight their TI and T2.

### Handwriting

In order to achieve their pen licence, children's handwriting must be joined in the appropriate places and be consistent throughout all writing. Letters should be appropriately formed and the correct size.

When children gain their pen licence, they are also given a pen. Subsequent pens are to be provided from home. Please ensure these pens are 'inky' pens like Berol handwriting pens or fountain pens rather than Biro-style pens.

#### Should you ever have any questions or issues...

Mrs Paul and Mrs Imran are available to speak to any afternoon after school for smaller matters.

If you wish to discuss something more complex or would like to talk about something privately, it may be best to make an appointment.

If you are not around at the end of the day, please send a letter or a message in the homework diary. Alternatively, you can also email enquiry@deanery.bham.sch.uk or make a phone call to the school office.

## Questions?

