Orleans Primary School

Non Negotiables for writing

End of Year Expectations	Punctuation	Sentence construction	Hand Writing	Phonics and Spellings	Amount
NURSERY		I am able to speak in 5-8 word sentences. I can re-tell a familiar story. I can talk about past/previous experiences	I can attempt to use a tripod (3 fingered) grip. I can copy a writing pattern.	I can hear and recognise the initial sound in a CVC word (such as 'c' in cat). I can match 2 rhyming words. I can recognise and identify sounds in the environment (dogs barking, water running etc). I have completed phase 1 of phonics.	

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	I can use finger spaces. I can use capital letters at	sentences using a range of stimulus eg. sand, magnetic words etc.	I can sit with the correct posture when writing.	I can spell some High Frequency words.	

the beginning of a sentence.	I can write my own name,		
	labels and captions.	I can reach the end of Phase 3/ beginning of Phase 4 in 'Letters and Sounds' phonics (CVCC & CCVC words eg. milk & slip)	
		I can read and write up to set 3 of the Key words.	

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Year 1	I can use a capital letter and full stop when writing a single simple sentence. I am beginning to use question marks. I am beginning to use exclamation marks. I can use the 'I' pronoun. I can use finger spaces.	I can write simple sentences independently. I can write questions, statements and captions. I can use simple connectives 'and' 'but' and 'because' to join sentences. I can open sentences in a variety of ways eg. 'The' 'My' and 'I'. I can write my first and last name. I can use capital letters and full stops. I can recognise and use suffixes and prefixes. un, ed, ing, er, est, ly, y	I can write on the lines. I can use the correct cursive formation of all letters which are accurately sized. I am beginning to show an understanding of the correct use of upper and lower case letters.	I will reach Phase 5 in 'Letters and Sounds' phonics program. I can attempt to spell unfamiliar/ familiar words. I can spell regular polysyllabic words eg. bin/man, snow/ball, sun/hat. I can read and write up to Set 8 of the key words I can identify 40 + phonemes. I can spell the days of week Use letter names to distinguish between alternative spellings of the same phoneme.	I can write at least five good quality sentences with evidence of the other four areas.

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Year 2	I can punctuate sentences in the course of writing, using capital letters, full stops and question marks independently. I can use exclamation marks and question marks correctly. I can write an exclamatory sentence, starting with 'what' or 'how' and include a verb. I can write questions, comments and statements. I can use commas to separate items in lists. I can use apostrophes to mark singular possession in nouns.	I can write sentences using some adjectives to create a noun phrase to add specific detail I can use coordinating conjunctions, 'or' 'and' 'but'. I can use subordinating conjunctions 'also' 'then' 'that' 'next' 'when' 'so' 'because' 'if' to write compound sentences. I can open sentences with a range of words including One day, Once upon a time, Suddenly, First, Then, Next, Last.	I can write using neat, legible cursive script. I can use the correct size and letter formation. (There is a clear difference in size between capitals and lower case letters).	I will complete Phase 5&6 eg. adding 'ed' 'ing' prefixes and suffixes 'un' 're' 'dis' 'ful' 'ly' 'ment' 'ness' I can spell all the key word sets up to Year 2 (Intense red – set 15) I will be learning Phase 6 sounds I can spell words with contracted form (can't, didn't, hasn't, couldn't, it's, It'll) I can segment spoken words into phonemes and represent these by graphemes – spelling many correctly.	I can write at length. (At least 1/4 to 1/2 of a side of A4).

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Year 3	I can use capital letters and full stops independently and accurately to demarcate all sentences. MUST USE CAPITALS AND FULL STOPS (YEAR 2 TARGET). I can use commas in a list and speech marks. I use apostrophes for omission and begin to use them for possession. I can use exclamation marks.	I can write simple and compound sentences. (Two simple sentences can be joined together with a conjunction to make a compound sentence.) For example: I do not like eating meat + but + I love vegetables. I can use conjunctions - 'if' 'so' 'while' and 'since' - to write compound sentences. I can open sentences to show the order things happen, 'Also' 'After' 'During' 'Soon' 'Before' 'Later'. I can use homophones (such as knew and new or meat and meet). I can plan, draft, edit and write. I can write a narrative (an account of a sequence of events, usually in chronological order) and nonnarrative. I can begin to use paragraphs.	I can use neat, legible cursive script at all times.	I will complete Year 3 support for spelling scheme (22 homophones). Term 1- adding 'ing' and 'le' and the spelling conventions. Term 2 -plurals and adding suffixes – ly, ful, less, er, able, est. Term 3 – pronouns and prefixes – un–, dis-, mis-, in-, im-, anti-, auto Words ending in –tion, - sion, -cian, -ssion, ture – Suffix.	I can write at length. (½ to 1 side of A4 in 45 minutes.)

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Year 4	I can use punctuation marks to independently and accurately demarcate all sentences. MUST USE CAPITALS AND FULL STOPS. (YEAR 2 TARGET) I can use correct speech punctuation eg. commas, question and exclamation marks etc. before the close of the speech marks. I can securely use apostrophes for omission and to show possession. I am beginning to use commas to separate phrases and clauses within sentences.	I can use conjunctions 'before' 'after' 'as well as' and 'if'. I can use a wider variety of conjunctions, e.g. before, after, because, although, if. I can vary the openings of sentences to avoid repetition. I can use third or first person (he, she, and they/I). I can write in different tenses — past/present/future. I can write simple and compound sentences and begin to write complex sentences. I can use simple fronted adverbials and punctuate them with a comma most of the time. I can use paragraphs in most of my writing.	I am continuing to develop my writing style, using a cursive script always. I can write at speed.	I will complete Year 4 'Support for Spelling' scheme. I can spell all of the Year 3 and 4 word list, including: - homophones and plurals - Suffixes −ly, -ation, -ous - Prefixes − im, il, mis, re, sub, inter, anti, auto ❖ Prefixes and suffixes can be attached to a base or root word to form a new word eg. retrial/darkness	I can write at length. (3/4 to 1 side of A4 in 45 minutes.)

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Year 5	I can use capital letters, full stops, exclamations marks and question marks to independently and accurately demarcate all sentences. (MUST USE CAPITALS/ FULL STOPS (YEAR 2 TARGET) I can use commas to separate items in a list, clauses and phrases. I am beginning to use ellipses, () dashes, semi colons(;) and hyphen (-), colons: and parenthesis () I can use speech marks, with new lines for the speaker and the correct punctuation. I am securing the use of apostrophes both for contraction - I'm, can't and possession — girl's.	I can write complex sentences, selecting and using a wide range of subordinators (after, since, so that, although). I can use subordinate clauses to add extra information, to give reasons and to explain (Subordinate clauses, cannot stand alone - Even though Michael hit a home run, our team lost by more than 50 runs.) I am starting and joining sentences with 'although' 'however' 'besides' 'even though' (complex conjunctions) I can write simple and compound sentences and begin to use relative clauses – when a clause is introduced by a relative pronoun (which, that, who, whom, whose) or a relative adverb (where, when, why). I can explore morphology/ etymology of words(word structures/ the history of the forms and meanings of words). I can write showing an awareness of audiences and have a clear voice. I can write in paragraphs and show cohesion across paragraphs. I can use fronted adverbials and punctuate them with a comma consistently.	I am continuing to develop my writing style, using a cursive script in all pieces of writing. I can write at speed half a page in 15 mins, etc.	I will complete the Year 5 ' Support for Spelling' program, - unstressed vowels in polysyllabic words and common letter strings. - spelling patterns and rules and prefixes and suffixes. - adding suffixes, word roots and spelling patterns –cious, tious, cial, tial -tions - ance/–ancy, –ent, – ence/–ency/ant - ible, able, ibly, ably - use suffix fer - use ough spellings correctly I can recognise words with silent letters (know, gnome) I can use a hyphen correctly I can use the 'i before e' rule I can recognise homophones and spell them correctly	I can write 1 to 1 ½ sides of A4 in 45 minutes.

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Year 6	I can use Year 5 punctuation marks to independently and accurately demarcate all sentences. (MUST USE FULL STOPS/ CAPITALS (YEAR 2 TARGET) I am beginning to make use of other punctuation marks such as the semi- colon, colon and bracket, hyphen, dashes ; : () - VOCABULARY Synonym and antonym Wide variety of vocabulary Precise choice of vocabulary for purpose	I am securing the use of complex sentences, understanding how clauses can be manipulated to achieve different effects. I can use interesting and varied sentence openers such as 'After a while' 'Meanwhile' 'Before very long' 'Anxiously' 'Having' 'Running' etc I can write in paragraphs. I can use subordinate clauses (Subordinate clauses, cannot stand alone - Even though Michael hit a home run, our team lost by more than 50 runs.). I can plan/ draft/write/ evaluate/ edit Use parentheses To use different verb forms accurately. (Active/Passive). To be able to use cohesive devices within and across sentences and paragraphs. I can use relative clauses who, which, etc. Adverbials	I have developed my writing style, using a cursive script. I can write at speed. I can form letters correct in size in relation to each other	I can spell all the words on the Y3 & 4 word list I can spell all the words on the Y5 & 6 word list Spell words ending in — ible, -able, - ably, ibly, - ance, -ence, -cial, -tial, tious, cious, I can spell a range of homophones and know their meanings I can recognise words with silent letters (know, gnome) I can use a hyphen correctly I can use the 'i before e' rule I can use a dictionary and a thesaurus	I can confidently write a sufficient amount to demonstrate ability Adding atmosphere – setting. I can write detailed character descriptions. I can show my 'Writers voice' i.e. humour I can add detail for interest, noun expansion, etc I have a strong grasp on features of different genres and can apply features in my writing. I can use the subjunctive correctly (If I were you).