

# Writing Newsletter

This term our whole school targets are:

## Sentence fluency

#### Year 1

I can re-read what I have written to check it makes sense.

I can write three types of sentences: statements, questions and exclamations.

I can write a complex sentence.

I can use conjunctions eg. and, but, so, when to join compound sentences , phrases and clauses.

I can use a range of openers including -ly openers.

#### Year 3

I can re-read and edit what I have written, proofreading for spelling and punctuation errors.

I can use long and short sentences to add information or emphasise a point.

I can extend the range of sentences I use using more than one clause by using an extensive range of conjunctions - including compound and complex sentences.

I can appropriately use pronouns or nouns to create cohesion.

#### Year 5

I can reshape sentences for different effects.

can use a range of strategies to build cohesion within a paragraph e.g. then, after, that, this, firstly.

I can build cohesion linking paragraphs using adverbials e.g. later, nearby, secondly.

I can use expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information succinctly.

I can use rhetorical questions.

I can précis longer passages (summarise).

#### Year 2

I can use long and short sentences.

I can begin a sentence in a different way eg. with a question.

I can use compound sentences.

I can use complex sentences including a relative or subordinate clause.

I can re-read and edit what I have written to check it makes sense.

I can use simple subordinating and co-ordinating conjunctions to join sentences , phrases and clauses.

I can skilfully use statements, questions, exclamations and commands.

I can use a range of openers.

#### Year 4

I can re-read and edit what I have written, proofreading for spelling and punctuation errors.

I can use a range of openers including using 'ed clauses' and 'ing clauses'.

I can extend the range of sentences I use using more than one clause including using co-ordinating and subordinating conjunctions.

I can appropriately use pronouns or nouns to create cohesion.

I can use fronted adverbials using a , after them.

#### Year 6

I can write sentences which have an easy flow and rhythm.

I can use a range of conjunctions for distinctive effect.

I can write sentences that relate and build upon one another  $% \left\{ 1,2,\ldots ,n\right\}$ 

### Ways to help your child:

- Keep a written diary of what you do at weekends. Read it with your child and edit together—make sure the sentences make sense!
- Write simple sentences: 'The girl went to the park.' Ask your child to change the sentence into a compound sentence: 'The girl went to the park because it was a hot sunny day.' Alternatively change the sentence into a complex sentence: Although it was very wet and windy, the girl went to the park.'
- Talk to your child about events/hobbies/their interests/daily news. This helps children learn new vocabulary which is very important when writing sentences. It makes them interesting!

#### Writing fact of the term

Did you know the letter 'f' is the only tall and long letter in the alphabet?



