

Russell Lower School



Writing overview with outcomes 2020-2021

	FS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
Autumn 1					
Week 1	Home visits	Holiday recount Planning and drafting	Holiday recount Postcard Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing	Reading focus week VIPERS Make predictions/inferences. Authorial intent.	Non-fiction Formal letter Open and closed questions Features of a letter Plan, draft and edit formal
Week 2	Baseline writing activities	Labels and captions To describe favourite Supertato character	Persuasive writing A short note to Monkey Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing	Instructions VGP: Using conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause.	letter.
Week 3		Character description (Supertato) Write sentences by composing orally before writing it Write sentences by saying out loud what they are going to write	Non-fiction fact file Monkey Fact file Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing		Instructions Features of instructions Following instructions Plan, draft and edit recipe.
Week 4	Looking at stories with names in the title Writing names Writes own name.	Character description (Supertato) Spell words containing each of the 40+ phonemes already taught		Non-chronological report. Draft and write by: organising paragraphs around a theme.	
Week 5	Naming parts of the body and writing names Writes own name.	Story writing – beginning Planning, drafting and writing Say out loud what we are going to write.	Drama and Role play with speaking and listening focus Thought bubbles		
Week 6	Owl Babies - writing CVC words such as sat Writes own name and other things such as labels	Story writing – middle Planning, draffing and writing To read aloud to peers what they have written – performing their writing.	Narrative Re-telling of Monkey Puzzle. Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing	Reading focus week VIPERS Make predictions/inferences. Authorial intent.	Character description Direct and indirect speech for characters Drama and Role play Freeze frames using character description
Week 7	How Do Dinosaurs Say Goodnight? - writing CVC words such as nap	Story writing – end Planning, drafting and writing Sequence the ending.	Informal Letter Writing A letter home from Kenya. Handa's Surprise.	Retelling a familiar story Reading focus	Descriptive narratives using setting and emotions Plan, draft and edit narrative descriptions

	Writes own name and other things such as labels	Say out loud what we are going to write.	Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing		Drama and Role play Drama freeze frames
Autumn 2					
Week 1	Account of half-term Writes own name and other things such as labels and captions.	Non-fiction recount of the Gunpower plot Write sentences by: sequencing sentences to form short narratives	Setting Description Planning and Drafting writing. Consider what they are going to write before beginning by: writing down ideas and/or key words, including new vocabulary	Retelling a familiar story Reading focus	Descriptive narratives Joey's arrival at the farm. Joey and Topthorn journey to France Plan, draft and edit narrative descriptions Drama and Role play Drama freeze frames
Week 2	The Owl Who was Afraid of the Dark – writing words or simple sentences about Plop, mum and dad Writes own name and other things such as labels and captions.	Poetry - acrostic Write firework poems	Setting Description Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing	Diary entry VGP: Using the present perfect form of verbs in contrast to the past tense.	Non- chronological report on a war poet Draft, write and edit a non- chronological report Understanding of poetry Features of Poetry Plan, draft and edit poetry
Week 3	Fireworks – writing words or simple sentences about fireworks e.g. hot, red, pop, rocket Writes own name and other things such as labels and captions.	Drama and Role play with speaking and listening focus Posing questions through hot seating to Charlie	Story Writing Planning and Drafting writing. Consider what they are going to write before beginning by: encapsulating what they want to say, sentence by sentence	Character profile Draft and write by: in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot.	based on WW1 and remembrance.
Week 4	Peace at Last – writing sound words or simple sentences e.g. tick, tock, drip, drop, mmmm, tweet Writes own name and other things such as labels and captions.	Comic strip Plan and draft. Write sentences by: composing a sentence orally before writing it.		Setting description Draft and write by: in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot.	Narrative Features of narrative Plan, draft, write and edit narrative based on war horse
Week 5	Kipper's Birthday Nativity Story (Jesus' birthday) sequence story Writes own name	Comic strip Write. Write sentences by: sequencing sentences to form short narratives	Story Writing Editing Writing. Make simple additions, revisions and corrections to their own writing by: evaluating their writing with the teacher and other pupils		

Week 6	Christmas stocking - writing labels for toys e.g. hat, doll, truck, bat, dog, cat, net Writes own name and other things such as labels	Retell a familiar story (Christmas Story) Drama and role play to retell the story	Newspaper Report Excitable Edgar Planning and Drafting writing. Consider what they are going to write before beginning by: writing down ideas and/or key words, including new vocabulary	Narrative Draft and write by: in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot.	
Week 7	Writing- Christmas CVC words and sentences Writes own name and other things such as labels and captions.	Rewrite a familiar story (Christmas Story) Write sentences by: sequencing sentences to form short narratives	Newspaper Report Excitable Edgar Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by: writing for different purposes		Diary writing Features of a diary Plan, write and edit a diary
Spring 1					
Week 1	Account of Christmas Holiday Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	Writing questions VGP: To use capital letters, full stops question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences	Non-fiction non-chronological report on Polar Bears Planning and Drafting writing.	Poetry - shape Plan their writing by: discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary, and grammar	Narrative responses Write predictions, inferences, retrieval, summaries and vocab Planning and Drafting writing. Draft and write by: organising paragraphs around a theme
Week 2	Labelling a penguin Writes own name and other things such as labels Non-fiction writing about a penguin Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others	Non-fiction poster Write a poster on caring for pets	Non-fiction non-chronological report Editing writing.		Recount of Author Visit Draft and write questions and answers Planning and Drafting writing. Plan their writing by: discussing and recording ideas
Week 3	Lost – sequence story and write about favourite part of the story Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others	Non-Fiction – information text To write sentences by: saying out loud what they are going to write about	Poetry – descriptive Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing	VGP Extending the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, including when, if,	Biography of your class partner Biography on author who visited Identifying features of biography and autobiography
Week 4	Write a list of what a penguin chick needs Writes own name and other things such as labels Write a sentence about what an egg and/or a chick	Non-Fiction - Weather forecast report Write a weekly weather diary. Performing Writing To read aloud their writing clearly enough to be heard by their peers and the teacher		because, although.	Draft, write and edit a biography Composition: Planning and Drafting writing 4.2.b.1 Plan their writing by: discussing and recording ideas composition:

Week 5	Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible. Write speech bubbles for a penguin e.g. I can peck. What can Mumble do? Write sentences e.g. He can jump. Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	Retell a familiar story Retell and re-enact the story.	SATs practise papers.		Editing Writing 4.2.c.1 Evaluate and edit by: assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggesting improvements
Week 6	A list of what an Arctic explorer needs Ice investigation Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	Rewrite a familiar story VGP: To use capital letters, full stops and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences Editing. To discuss what they have written with the teacher or other pupils	Narrative Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing	Poetry - Haiku Reading and speaking and listening focus week	Poetry appreciation and personal response Respond to a poem
Spring 2					
Week 1	Pancake recipe – ingredients and method Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	Non-Fiction text features Naming the letters of the alphabet in order	Character description of Togo Drama and Role play – see speaking and listening Planning and Drafting.	Narrative (myth) Draft and write by: in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot. Inverted commas to punctuate direct speech.	Narrative settings and characters Take notes Plan, write and edit narrative description Plan their writing by: discussing writing similar to that which
Week 2	World Book Day character description Senses investigation writing Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	Drama and Role play with speaking and listening focus Pattern, text and repetition	Formal letter writing to the mayor of Nome asking for a plaque and statue to commemorate Togo. Planning and Drafting writing. Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing		they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar
Week 3	Label a polar bear Non-fiction writing about a polar bear Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and	Rewrite a familiar story To write sentences by: sequencing sentences to form short narratives	Diary entry plan as a child living in England at the time of the plague Plan a diary entry. Planning and Drafting writing.		Narrative Draft, write and edit the death of Julius Cesar

Week 4	others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible. Writing Mother's Day card insert My mum can Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible. Write an account of trip to	To develop their understanding of the concepts set out in English Appendix 2 by: joining words and joining clauses using 'and' Poetry – rhyming To create rhyming strings using their phonic knowledge to write a range of rhyming words. Spell words containing each of the 40+ phonemes already taught. Recount on Woburn Trip	Diary entry writing Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing Recount	Non Chronological Report Draft and write by: organising paragraphs around a theme. Draft and write by: in non- narrative material, using simple organisational devices: e.g. headings and subheadings	Draft and write by: in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot Narrative
Week 3	Ampthill, Post Office and King's Arms Gardens Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	To develop their understanding of the concepts set out in English Appendix 2 by: joining words and joining clauses using 'and' Capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences	of visit to Fire Station Formal letter writing to thank the Fire Station Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing Editing Writing.		Myth of Romulus and Remus Draft and write by: in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot
Summer 1					
Week 1	Write an account of Easter Holiday Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible. Label a pirate map e.g. mermaid, merman, chest, tree, cannon, rum, skeleton Children use their phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match their spoken sounds.	Drama and Role play with speaking and listening focus	SATs reading practise.	Missing poster Plan their writing by: discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary, and grammar	Persuasive Letter Features of persuasive letter Plan, write and edit persuasive letter Editing Writing. Evaluate and edit by: assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggesting improvements
Week 2	Writing a list of resources and equipment. Writing instructions - planting seeds	Write about a personal experience linked to a text. VGP: Capital letters, full stops, question marks and	Character description Diary entry as Mr Fox. Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing	Setting description Draft and write by: in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot.	Character description Traditional Tales/Egyptian Tale Plan their writing by: discussing writing similar to that which they

	Children use their phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match their spoken sounds. Explorer's notebook – label animals and places Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	exclamation marks to demarcate sentences Introduce speech bubbles and speech marks (inverted commas).			are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar
Week 3	Label a pirate ship Children use their phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match their spoken sounds. Create a pet word bank and describe a pirate pet Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	To use what they know from what they have read, to predict what happens next in a text. Write sentences by: saying out loud what they are going to write about.	Plan the next chapter Predict and plan the next part of the story of Fantastic Mr Fox using knowledge of what has happened before. Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing		Narrative Traditional tale with an Egyptian twist Plan, draft and edit alternative Egyptian version of a traditional tale Plan their writing by: discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar
Week 4	Write speech bubbles using pirate language Children use their phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match their spoken sounds. They also write some irregular common words. Create and label a pirate story character Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	Justifying opinions of a text Write sentences by: re-reading what they have written to check that it makes sense.	Create a new character Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing	Newspaper report VGP: Using the present perfect form of verbs in contrast to the past tense	Biography Write a biography on Howard Carter/Cleopatra Plan their writing by: discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar
Week 5	Describe pirate story settings such as a ship and an island Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	Writing in the same pattern as a story Write sentences by: sequencing sentences to form short narratives Capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences	SATS		Recount Newspaper report on the death of Cleopatra Plan their writing by: discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar

Week 6 Week 7	Write own pirate story using created character Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible. Pirate story comprehension and book review Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	Descriptive writing Build a vocabulary word bank of descriptive language. Recount through a postcard VGP: Capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences	Poetry – performance Minibeast Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing Compare and contrast stories by the same author: Eric Carle – reading focus week	Persuasive letter Draft and write by: composing and rehearsing sentences orally (including dialogue), progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures	Explanation Texts Mummification of a tomato Plan, draft and edit an explanation text Plan their writing by: discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary and grammar Planning and Drafting writing. Draft and write by: organising paragraphs around a theme
Summer 2					
Week 1	Write an account of their half- term holiday Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	Drama and Role play with speaking and listening focus	Blurb for a familiar story Contexts for writing. Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by: writing for different purposes	Reading focus week VIPERS Make predictions/inferences. Authorial intent.	Explanation Texts Mummification of a tomato Evaluate and edit by: assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggesting improvements
Week 2	Writing instructions describing how to make butter Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible. Writing Father's Day card insert	Instructions 'How to make a jam sandwich' Write sentences by: sequencing sentences to form short narratives	Write a story in the style of Eric Carle. Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by: writing narratives about personal experiences and those of others (real and fictional)	Narrative Draft and write by: in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot. Inverted commas to punctuate direct speech.	Narrative Describe setting of the Twits house Advert using persuasive language to sell the Twits house Plan their writing by: discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its
Week 3	Write a shopping list for fruit kebab Children use their phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match their spoken sounds. Write about how to stay healthy, create healthy eating poster Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt	Performance poetry Speaking and listening focus	Descriptive setting Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by: writing for different purposes		structure, Draft and write by: organising paragraphs around a theme Evaluate and edit by: assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggesting improvements

Week 4	correctly and others are phonetically plausible. Write a barn owl fact file Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	Poetry – rhyming poems Write sentences by: saying out loud what they are going to write about.			Narrative Missing chapter for the Twits Write missing chapter Plan, draft and edit play script Plan their writing by: discussing writing similar to that which they
Week 5	Write an account of a farmer's day Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	Drama and Role play with speaking and listening focus	Playscript Develop positive attitudes towards and stamina for writing by: writing for different purposes	Character Profile and Writing an Interview VGP: Choosing nouns or pronouns appropriately for clarity and cohesion and to avoid repetition. Read aloud their own writing, to a group or the whole class, using appropriate intonation and controlling the tone and volume	are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, Draft and write by: organising paragraphs around a theme Evaluate and edit by: assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggesting improvements
Week 6	Write an account of farm trip Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	Plan a story Write sentences by: sequencing sentences to form short narratives Write sentences by: re-reading what they have written to check that it makes sense.	Class debate Performing Writing. Read aloud what they have written with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear	so that the meaning is clear.	Instructions Wormy Spaghetti or Bird Pie Plan, draft and edit instructions Plan their writing by: discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its
Week 7	Memories from FS year Write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.	Letter to our new teacher VGP: Capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks to demarcate sentences	Drama and role play Performing Writing. Read aloud what they have written with appropriate intonation to make the meaning clear	Poster Plan their writing by: discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, vocabulary, and grammar	structure, Draft and write by: organising paragraphs around a theme Evaluate and edit by: assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggesting improvements