

Naunton Park Writing Progression Y4 NB: Practise and consolidate Y2/3 lists

NC terminology for children: determiner, pronoun, possessive pronoun, adverbial

TEXT LEVEL: Connecting words and phrases, cohesion and paragraphing

Orally retell stories and non-fiction texts with lively expression. Innovate known stories maintaining sequence but changing or adding events, settings, description that <u>alter</u> the mood, course of events or outcomes.

Plan and orally rehearse writing. Use shared/guided writing.

Organise stories into paragraphs.

Children will be moving beyond a simple beginning, middle and end to narrative and their use of paragraphs should reflect the story mountain pattern.

Use organisational devices in nonnarrative texts to guide the reader.

Use a shared text to revisit/introduce bullet points, subheadings and labelled diagrams to orientate and inform the reader

Use fronted adverbials

Put adverbial phrases at the front of a sentence eg Late into the evening, the

SENTENCE LEVEL: structure, grammar and punctuation

Use a variety of phrases, clauses and adverbials to manipulate sentences for effect, using commas to demarcate phrases and clauses eg

- The mouse, keeping his eyes on the cat flap, nibbled the cheese nervously.
- Nervously, the mouse nibbled the cheese, keeping his eyes on the cat flap.
- Keeping his eyes on the cat flap, the mouse nibbled the cheese nervously.

Extend the use of drop-in words, phrases and clauses:

- ed, ing, ly chunks eg Jack, exhausted from driving a hard bargain, took his magic beans back home... Jack, smiling triumphantly, strode into the cottage.
- simile phrases eg Dr Who, <u>as quick</u> <u>as a flash</u>, disappeared into the tardis.
- descriptive phrases eg The shark,
 with its long grey body and flashing

WORD LEVEL: Vocabulary and spelling

Select engaging and imaginative vocabulary linked to the style, audience and purpose of the text [eg to amuse, entertain, inform, persuade]

Use prepositional phrases to start sentences: Beyond the gloom of the cave, Zach saw the ancient wizard moving.

Use a range of adjectival phrases: pretty pleased; really happy, darkly wooded, heavily disguised, slow stepping..., the red faced and grinning...

Use Standard English forms for verb inflections: *We were* instead of *We was; I did* instead of *I done*

Understand the grammatical difference between plural and possessive –s

Explore and invent nouns formed from suffixes eg —ous, - tion, -sion —ism -ity

Word families: Investigate meaning and

LANGUAGE EFFECTS

In persuasive writing, use emotive language to make the reader feel something eg sympathy or guilt Demonstrate in shared writing and during the imitation phase. Exaggerate to make things sound better or worse than they are: Imagine being cast out into the street, cold, lonely and frightened..., This kitten is not warm, comfortable and content like you are; she is cold, hurt and hungry.

Use 'empty words' to capture the reader's interest eg someone, somewhere was out to get him.

Invent figurative language to evoke time, place, mood, feelings etc:

- alliteration
- onomatopoeia
- similes
- metaphors
- personification

Use comparative and superlative

doorbell rang.

Use widening range of conjunctions and phrases (cohesion) to link paragraphs across a text, and sentences within a paragraph eg who, because, so that, as a result, while, until, where, or, if, to, also, however, as well, consequently, unfortunately

Use prepositional openers to indicate place eg At the end of the lane, the car was abandoned.

Secure the use of ed - ing - ly eg Surprised, Jane darted into a corner... Feeling her way through the tunnel, Jill's heart pounded...Reluctantly, the servant arose at 5am...

Secure tenses, 1st/3rd agreement and ensure nouns and pronouns in a text relate to each other, meaning should be clear and unambiguous eg Max gave the boy his hat ie whose hat?

Tell and write, thinking of audience and purpose. Reread and listen for the effect on the reader.

white teeth, swam to the diver.

Use long and short sentences to vary the pace of writing. Long sentences slow down pace and enhance description and information; short sentences increase pace and create tension e.g. The clock struck 12. Felix heard a noise. What was it?

Consolidate sentence variation - use of questions, exclamations, imperatives, sentences of 3 for action, description and ideas.

Write dialogue between characters in stories using a variety of speech verbs, styles of speech that characterise the speaker, their relationships and their feelings.

Punctuation:

- Consolidate on CL/FS,!, ? and colon for a list and use of commas.
- Use direct speech correctly; new speaker, new line/ commas before reporting clause etc.
- Apostrophes for contraction and possession, singular and plural the boy's hand; the boys' boots.

spellings of related words through:

- adding <u>suffixes</u> e.g. help, helped, helpful etc. distract, distracted, distracting, distraction, distractible etc.
- common prefixes: constant, contract, concede etc. provide, proceed, protract etc.
- prefixes for negatives and opposites: un, dis, in/ex ir, il etc.
- Identify common prefixes and experiment with adding them to words

NB children can make good use of dictionaries and the internet for investigating prefixes

Consolidate on:

- well-chosen adjectives/ adverbs that add something new;
- be specific (poodle not 'dog';
- powerful verbs;
- speech verbs;
- making sure each word earns its place, avoiding 'over-writing';
- creating new combinations, avoiding clichés,

Learn the words on the Y3/4 Statutory List.

adjectives and a range of qualifying adverbs for precision and effect to exaggerate or shade the strength of words e.g. slightly, rather, fairly, completely, utterly, especially etc.

Use questions to draw in the reader and **exclamations** for emphasis.