

Our Writing Non-negotiables



Presentation

- LO/titles/dates are copied correctly and underlined in pencil, using a ruler.
- Handwriting is legible and fluent and upper/lower case letters are used correctly. Most children are joining using cursive script.



Grammar and bits

- Basic punctuation is **past its sell by date**. All work has accurate use of capital letters and end of sentence punctuation.
- Paragraphs are used consistently to organise work.
- Commas are used effectively for lists and to clarify meaning.
- Speech punctuation is in evidence. It is not yet always secure.
- Apostrophes for contraction and singular possession are used accurately.
- Work has consistent use of tenses and agreement of verbs.
- Spelling of familiar, key vocabulary (3/4) is generally accurate.
- **All of the above should be checked during proof-reading.**

