



St. Joseph's Catholic School - Whole School Curriculum Overview: Writing

Year R					
Autumn 1 Marvellous Me Amazing Autumn	Autumn 2 Let's Celebrate Christmas	Spring 1 Once Upon a Time Winter Wonderland	Spring 2 Animals of the World Super Spring	Summer 1 Space and Transport	Summer 2 Fun at the Seaside
<p><b>Writing ELG</b></p> <p>Children at the expected level of development will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed;</li> <li>- Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters;</li> <li>- Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others</li> </ul> <p><i>DFE Essential Core Criteria:</i></p> <p><b>#1: Letter formation and sentence writing</b></p> <p><i>(Please note changes in policy: At first, children should not be taught letters to be cursive or lead ins which start on the line; digraphs may be taught as cursive; all print resources should be in print)</i></p> <p>Writing opportunities may include: mark making, incidental writing, captions, lists, descriptions, postcards etc.</p>					

Year 1					
Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
<p>"Shed Sentences" (Stage 1)</p> <p><b>Outcome:</b> Children are equipped with sentence building skills</p> <p><b>Focus:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Capital letters and full stops</li> <li>- Accurate tense use</li> <li>- Plural suffixes</li> <li>- Suffixes -ed, -est, -ing</li> <li>- Co-ordinating Conjunctions</li> <li>- Sentence types</li> <li>- Time conjunctions</li> <li>- Word classes: adjectives, verbs, nouns</li> </ul>	<p><b>Experience:</b> Milestones Museum</p> <p><b>Outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recount</li> <li>- Postcard</li> </ul>	<p><b>Film:</b> Marshmallows</p> <p><b>Outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Description: character and setting</li> <li>- Narrative</li> </ul>	<p><b>Poetry:</b> B is for Birthday – Erika L. Shields</p> <p><b>Outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Acrostic poem</li> </ul>	<p><b>Owl Babies – Martin Waddall</b></p> <p><b>Outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Setting description</li> <li>- Diary</li> <li>- Third person narrative</li> </ul>	<p><b>The Deep Dark Wood – Algy Craig Hall</b></p> <p><b>Outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Third person narrative</li> <li>- Description</li> <li>- Instructions</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Film:</b> Give a Little Love (Christmas)</p> <p><b>Outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sequence events</li> <li>- Narrative</li> </ul>	<p><b>Meerkat Mail – Emily Gravatt</b> <b>The Jolly Postman – Janet &amp; Allen Ahlberg</b></p> <p><b>Outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Postcard/letter</li> <li>- Description: character and setting</li> <li>- Information text: Fact file</li> </ul>	<p><b>Film:</b> Zahra</p> <p><b>Outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Character description</li> <li>- Letter</li> <li>- Third person narrative</li> </ul>		



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Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
<b>Zog – Julia Donaldson</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Character description</li> <li>- Diary entry</li> <li>- School report</li> </ul>	<b>Poetry: Dragons</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Acrostic poem</li> </ul>	<b>Poetry: Habits</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Repeating pattern poem</li> </ul>	<b>The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark – Jill Tomlinson</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Non-chronological report</li> <li>- Character description</li> <li>- Narrative: additional chapter</li> </ul>	<b>Poetry: Spring</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Shape poem</li> </ul>	<b>Toby and the Great Fire of London – J Cope</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Haiku</li> <li>- Recount</li> <li>- Information text</li> </ul>
<b>Experience: Windsor Castle</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recount</li> <li>- Information text: double page spread</li> </ul>	<b>Film: Gunpowder Plot</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Description</li> <li>- Rhyming couplet poem</li> </ul>	<b>Lost and Found – Oliver Jeffers</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Letter</li> <li>- Non-chronological report</li> <li>- fact file</li> </ul>		<b>The Day the Crayons Quit</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Character description</li> <li>- Persuasive letter</li> </ul>	<b>Jim and the Beanstalk – Raymond Briggs</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Setting description</li> <li>- Traditional tale: alternative version</li> </ul>
<b>George and the Dragon – Christopher Wormell</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Descriptions</li> <li>- Comic strips</li> </ul>	<b>Excitable Edgar: Jo Lindley</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Description</li> <li>- Rhyming couplet poem</li> </ul>	<b>Film: Nocturnal Animals</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Description</li> <li>- Non-chronological report</li> </ul>	<b>The Pirates Next Door - Jonny Duddle</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Diary entry</li> <li>- Description</li> <li>- Narrative</li> </ul>	<b>Experience: Pizza Express</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Thank you letter</li> <li>- Recount</li> <li>- Instructions</li> </ul>	<b>Poetry: Free Verse</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Free verse poem</li> </ul>

Year 3					
Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
<b>Poetry: Rachel Rooney</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Free verse poem</li> </ul>	<b>Film: How bees make honey</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Non-chronological report</li> <li>- Explanation</li> <li>- Diary entry</li> </ul>	<b>Poetry: Kennings and Limericks</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Kenning</li> <li>- Limerick</li> </ul>	<b>The True Story of the Three Little Pigs – Jon Scieszka</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Debate</li> <li>- Newspaper article</li> <li>- Narrative</li> <li>- Setting description</li> </ul>	<b>Film: The Black Hat</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Character description</li> <li>- Information text: double page spread</li> </ul>	<b>The Dot – Peter H. Reynolds</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Poetry</li> <li>- Narrative</li> </ul>
<b>Experience: Windsor Great Park</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Recount</li> <li>- Information text: double page spread</li> </ul>					
<b>Mrs Noah's Pockets – Jackie Morris</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Description</li> </ul>	<b>Mog's Christmas Calamity – Judith Kerr</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- First person narrative</li> </ul>	<b>Stone Age Boy – Satoshi Kitamura</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Retell: Comic strip</li> </ul>	<b>Fantastic Mr Fox</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Diary</li> <li>- Character description</li> </ul>	<b>The Street Beneath my Feet – Yuval Zommer</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Description</li> </ul>	<b>An Anthology of Intriguing Animals – Ben Hoare</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Non-chronological report</li> </ul>



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- Persuasion	- Formal report - Informal letter	- Instructions - Third person narrative	- Narrative	Explanation	- Narrative – a day in the life
					Film: Cyber Kicks Outcomes: - Advert

Year 4					
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<b>Poetry: Kate Wakeling</b> <b>Wild Child – Dara McNaulty</b> <b>Experience: Windsor Great Park</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Free verse poem</li> <li>- Speech: eco warriors</li> <li>- Recount</li> <li>- Description</li> </ul>	<b>Traditional Tale (alt. version)</b> <b>The Princess and the Pea – Lauren Child</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Character description</li> <li>- Playscript</li> <li>- Narrative</li> </ul>	<b>Film: For the Birds</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Character description</li> <li>- Persuasive letter</li> </ul>	<b>My Family and Other Animals – Gerald Durrell</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Character description</li> <li>- Biography</li> <li>- Non-chronological report</li> </ul>	<b>The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe – CS Lewis</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Diary entry</li> <li>- Newspaper article</li> <li>- Dual narrative</li> <li>- Persuasion</li> <li>- Instructional text</li> </ul>	<b>Shakespeare's Midsummer's Night Dream (alt. version: Andrew Matthews &amp; Tony Ross)</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- First person narrative</li> <li>- Explanation</li> <li>- Missing Poster</li> </ul>
<b>Look Up – Nathan Byron</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Information text</li> <li>- Narrative from a different perspective</li> </ul>	<b>Coming Home – Michael Morpurgo</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Character description</li> <li>- Setting description</li> <li>- Narrative</li> </ul>	<b>Ten Tiny Tales – Joseph Coelho</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- "Time hopping" narrative</li> <li>- First person narrative</li> <li>- Different perspective narrative</li> </ul>	<b>Traditional Tale: Little Red Riding Hood</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Diary entry</li> <li>- Narrative recount</li> <li>- Speech</li> </ul>		<b>Hidden Figures – Margot Lee Shetterly</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Newspaper article</li> <li>- Persuasive letter</li> <li>- Memoir</li> </ul>



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Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
<b>Poetry: The Store Full of Magical Things – Rutendo Tavengerwei</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Poem</li> </ul>	<b>Little People, Big Dream: David Attenborough – Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Biography</li> <li>- Autobiography</li> </ul>	<b>Film: The Lighthouse</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- First person recount (focus: dialogue)</li> <li>- Newspaper article</li> </ul>	<b>Cloud Busting – Malorie Blackman</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Character description</li> <li>- Diary entry</li> <li>- Poem</li> </ul>	<b>Grimms Fairy Tales – Elli Woollard</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Narrative retell</li> <li>- Narrative from a different perspective</li> <li>- Balanced argument</li> </ul>	<b>Lost Book Adventures – Teddy Keen</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Captions</li> <li>- Explanation</li> <li>- Information text: pictorial journal</li> </ul>
<b>Film: High Diving Giraffes</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Explanation</li> <li>- Sports commentary</li> </ul>					
<b>Fairy Tale Fanclub – Richard Ayoade</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Character description</li> <li>- Letter</li> <li>- Persuasion</li> </ul>	<b>Film: Kevin the Carrot – An Xmas Carrot</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Narrative: figurative language</li> </ul>	<b>Shakespeare's The Tempest – Andrew Matthews &amp; Tony Ross</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Descriptive writing</li> <li>- Diary entry</li> </ul>		<b>The Explorer – Katherine Rundell</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Setting description</li> <li>- Diary entry</li> <li>- Non-chronological report</li> </ul>	

Year 6					
Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
<b>Poetry: The Witches' Spell – William Shakespeare</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Spell with rhythmic beat and rhyming pattern</li> </ul>	<b>Experience: Residential Trip</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Blog</li> <li>- Leaflet</li> </ul>	<b>Hansel and Gretel – Neil Gaiman</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Narrative from a different perspective (focus: dialogue)</li> <li>- Diary entry</li> </ul>	<b>Film: The Piano</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Narrative recount</li> <li>- Letter</li> <li>- Character descriptions</li> </ul>	<b>Greta Thunberg's Speech at the U.N. Climate Action Summit</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Newspaper article</li> </ul>	<b>Letters from the Lighthouse – Emma Carroll</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Diary entry</li> <li>- Postcard</li> <li>- Writing in role</li> </ul>
<b>Film: Alma</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Narrative from a different perspective</li> <li>- Incident report</li> </ul>					
	<b>Audio: Meditation</b> <b>Outcomes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A meditation script</li> </ul>				