



Year 1 Writing



By the end of Year 1, most children should be able to:

- ❖ Use capital letters, finger spaces and full stops correctly to write short sentences.
- ❖ Write a sequence of sentences (at least 3) to form short narratives.
- ❖ Use **conjunctions** to extend sentences e.g. *and, but, because*.
- ❖ Use exclamation marks and question marks where appropriate.
- ❖ Use capital letters for names of people, places, the days of the week and the personal pronoun 'I'.
- ❖ Use **adjectives** to describe a **noun** e.g. *big dog; yellow sun; soft toy*.
- ❖ Understand **verbs** as doing words e.g. *playing, jumping*.
- ❖ Spell many Year 1 common exception words correctly and apply phonic knowledge and spelling rules to attempt to spell other words.
- ❖ Understand and use singular and plural **nouns** e.g. *dog dogs; chair chairs; wish wishes; dress dresses*.
- ❖ Form all letters of the alphabet, and digits 0-9, in cursive handwriting. Children should be encouraged to join letters and remember to cross the t's and dot the i's!
- ❖ Read aloud their own writing and discuss what they have read to check that it makes sense.