



Writing

Sharlston Vision

At Sharlston, we inspire every child to shine by nurturing their unique talents and fostering a love for learning. Together, as a community, we celebrate success as a shared experience, empowering everyone to reach their full potential.

Subject Vision

At Sharlston, we believe that writing is a powerful tool for communication, creativity and self-expression. We ensure every child develops secure transcriptional skills, beginning with high-quality handwriting and accurate spelling so they can write with fluency and confidence. Our writing curriculum provides meaningful opportunities for children to write for a clear purpose and audience, enabling them to craft, shape and improve their work with increasing independence. Through exposure to rich vocabulary, high-quality models and explicit teaching, pupils learn to plan, draft, edit and evaluate effectively. By the time they leave Year 6, our children are confident, articulate writers who can communicate clearly and thoughtfully in a range of contexts.

Curriculum Drivers

Learning	Citizenship	Communication
- Children will develop strong transcriptional skills through high-quality teaching of handwriting, spelling and grammar, enabling them to write with fluency, accuracy and increasing stamina. - Pupils will learn to write for a clear purpose and audience, applying taught skills in a range of genres across the curriculum. - Through modelled, shared and guided writing, children build a secure understanding of structure, organisation and language choices. - Regular opportunities for planning, drafting and editing help children become reflective, independent writers who can improve and refine their work. - Exposure to rich vocabulary and high-quality texts supports children in developing ambitious, precise and effective writing.	- Writing provides opportunities for children to share ideas, opinions and experiences, helping them value themselves and others. - Pupils learn to use writing to explore themes such as empathy, wellbeing, diversity and the wider world. - Collaborative writing tasks promote teamwork, respect and an appreciation of others' ideas and perspectives. - Opportunities to write for real-life contexts—letters, reports, persuasive pieces, community messages—help children understand the impact their writing can have beyond school.	- Our writing curriculum develops children's ability to communicate clearly, confidently and purposefully. - Pupils learn to adapt tone, style and vocabulary to suit different audiences and purposes. - Speaking and listening are embedded within writing lessons through oral rehearsal, discussion, debate and performance. - Children learn to justify choices, explain their thinking and respond to feedback using accurate grammatical terminology. - Writing helps pupils develop clarity of thought, organisation of ideas and the ability to express themselves effectively across the curriculum.

Supplements

Little Wandle Spelling (KS2) or your chosen spelling scheme
Whole-School Handwriting Programme (e.g., LetterJoin / Nelson / similar)
High-Quality Model Texts and WAGOLLS
Explicit Grammar and Punctuation Teaching Sequences
Writing Progression Documents (genres, skills, grammar)
Editing Stations / Purple Polishing Pens / Editing Checklists
Real Purpose Writing Opportunities (letters, speeches, reports, posters, community writing)
Enrichment Events (poetry weeks, author visits, publishing days, writing competitions)