

St Anselm's Catholic Primary School

Learning and growing together through prayer, belief and love

Writing Standards for the National Curriculum Year 1

Year 1 Expectations: Transcription

- Sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably and correctly.
- Begin to form lowercase letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place
- Form capital letters and the digits 0-9
- Understand which letters belong to which handwriting 'families' (i.e. letters that are formed in similar ways) and to practise these
- Identify known phonemes in unfamiliar words
- Use syllables to divide words when spelling
- Use knowledge of alternative phonemes to narrow down possibilities for accurate spelling
- Use the spelling rule for adding s or es for verbs in 3rd person singular
- Name the letters of the alphabet in order
- Use letter names to show alternative spellings of the same phoneme

Year 1 Expectations: Composition

- Compose a sentence orally before writing it
- Sequence sentences to form short narratives
- Sequence sentences in chronological order to recount an event or an experience
- Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense
- Leave spaces between words
- Begin to punctuate sentences using a capital letter and a full stop, question mark or exclamation mark
- Use a capital letter for names of people, places, the days of the week, and the personal pronoun 'I'
- Use 'and' to join sentences together
- Know how the prefix 'un' can be added to words to change meaning
- Use the suffixes: s, es, ed, er and ing within their writing