

By the end of Year 6, children will not only leave St. John Vianney school being able to write for a variety of purposes, but able to write in a real life situation, essential for the next step in their education. There are 4 types of writing that will be covered in the English curriculum: narrative - writing to entertain; and non-fiction - writing to inform, writing to persuade and writing to discuss. Children will also cover a variety of poetry forms, building up a repertoire.

Purpose of writing to entertain (narrative): The purpose of narrative can be defined simply as to tell a story. However, that does not convey the many purposes of stories and the way that they work at different levels. The purpose of a narrator is to make the listener or reader respond in a particular way. Stories are written or told to entertain and enthral an audience. Stories can make us sad, horrify us, make us laugh, make us excited. They create imaginative worlds that can help us understand ourselves and the things around us and take us beyond our own experience. From the earliest times, stories have been a part of the way that people have explained their world, passed on their beliefs and memories and entertained one another. Narrative is central to learning, especially for young children who develop their understanding through making up stories about what has happened and what might happen. Children use narrative to organise their ideas, structure their thinking and, ultimately, their writing. Telling and writing stories is not simply a set of skills for children to learn, but an essential means for them to express themselves in creative and imaginative ways.

Common forms of narrative text stories that use predictable and patterned language traditional / folk stories / fairy tales stories set in familiar settings modifying well-known stories (changing a character; amending the ending; changing the setting etc.) stories set in historical contexts myths and legends stories with flashbacks stories set in fantasy words / science fiction stories stories from different cultures adventure stories mystery stories scary stories narratives retold from another perspective (e.g. form the point of view of a different character) stories with morals or fables stories with dilemmas stories told as playscripts telling a story from a first-person narrative (e.g. diaries and letters)



	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Writing to entertain – generic text structure	 simple narratives and retellings are told/ written in first or third person simple narratives are told/ written in past tense events are sequenced to create texts that make sense main participants are human or animal simple narratives use typical characters, settings and events whether imagined or real 'story language' (e.g. once upon a time, later that day etc.) may be used to create purposeful sounding writing 	 As Year 1, plus: they are simply developed as either good or bad characters language choices help create realistic sounding narratives. e.g. adverbs, adjectives, precise nouns (turquoise instead of blue, jumper instead of top, policeman instead of man) etc. 	 narratives and retellings written in first or third person narratives and retellings written in past tense, and occasionally in the present tense events sequenced to create chronological plots through the use of adverbials and prepositions descriptions, including those of settings, are developed through the use of adverbials, e.g. in the deep dark woods dialogue begins to be used to convey characters' thoughts and to move the narrative forward language choices help create 	 As Year 3, plus: dialogue is used to convey characters' thoughts and to move the narrative forward language choices help create realistic sounding narratives. e.g. adverbs, adjectives precise nouns, expressive verbs and figurative language etc. 	 As Year 4, plus: narratives are told sequentially and non-sequentially (e.g. flashbacks) through the use adverbials and preposition descriptions of characters, setting, and atmosphere are developed through precise vocabulary choices e.g. adverbs, adjectives, precise nouns, expressive verbs and figurative language 	As Year 5, plus: • assured and conscious control is used to effectively and accurately convey meaning, particularly through manipulating grammar and vocabulary to achieve this



Writing to entertain – stories, including re-telling; character description; setting description	Retell and invent narrative concept of a sentence basic sequencing of sentences capital letters and end marks correct past tense form written in the third person conjunctions to join ideas	 Simple narrative and description past tense and introduction to progressive past tense adverbs of time to sequence events adverbs for additional detail basic noun phrases singular possessive apostrophe apostrophe for contraction simple coordinating and subordinating conjunctions exclamation sentences comparable adjectives commas to separate items in a list verbs chosen for effect 	realistic sounding narratives e.g. shouted/muttered instead of said etc. Developed narrative with focus on paragraphing Clear sections conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to sequence events or to mark changes in setting dialogue including direct speech past perfect tense prepositional phrases for settings noun phrases verbs and adverbs chosen for effect cohesion created, and repetition avoided through the use of nouns and pronouns	 Developed narrative with focus on sequence sequence organised into paragraphs using fronted adverbials to indicate changes in time or place different orders of sequences fronted adverbials as single words, phrases and clauses to create cohesion expanded noun phrases dialogue including direct speech to show character develop characters through dialogue and action standard forms of verb inflections used instead of local spoken forms apostrophes for plural possession 	 Developed narrative with focus on cohesion cohesion through a variety of devices links within and between paragraphs with adverbials past perfect tense to link events action, dialogue and description used to move events forward relative clauses with commas and dashes used for additional detail including omitted relative pronouns modal verbs to suggest degrees of possibility adverbs of possibility 	 Developed narrative with focus on atmosphere and shifts cohesion through a wider variety of devices (e.g. repetition of a word or phrase, ellipsis) sustained register with well-rounded ending atmosphere and mood created through effective word choice, sentence structure and literary devices shifts in formality past perfect tense to link events, including past perfect progressive action, dialogue and description used to move events forward subjunctive form to hypothesise colons, semi-colons and dashes used to
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Writin	Fact-file Concept of a sentence Capital letters and end marks Word choices Iabels and captions	Basic non- chronological report • present tense • opening questions • concluding exclamatory sentence • subordinating and coordinating conjunctions to join information and give reasons • adverbs	Sectioned non- chronological report • planned into sections • headings • sub-headings • conjunctions to join information and giv reasons • present perfect tense	 paragraphs organised into sections with appropriate headings and text 	 Biography cohesion through a variety of devices within and across paragraphs relative clauses with commas and brackets to add information structured paragraphs linked with adverbials 	 Detailed information texts cohesion through a wider variety of devices layout devices including headings, sub-headings, columns, bullets and tables to structure texts semi-colons for items in a list and



	word choices to match information texts	 beginning to explore levels of formality and able to demonstrate this through word and sentence choices appropriate use of pronouns and nouns 	 indicate degrees of possibility using modal verbs and adverbs 	 colons to introduce lists sustained levels of formality demonstrated through sentence and word choices in difference pieces of different levels of formality the identification of different structures typical of informal and formal writing e.g. the use of the subjunctive and the use of question tags hyphens used to avoid ambiguity



Purpose of recounts: To give details of an event that has happened Common forms of recount texts: Retelling events in English lessons and other curriculum areas such as RE Giving accounts of schoolwork, sporting events, science experiments and trips out Writing historical accounts letters and postcards diaries and journals newspaper reports magazine articles				 General text structure: orientation such as scene-setting or establishing context (It was the school holidays. I went to the park) an account of the events that took place, often in chronological order (The first person to arrive was) some additional detail about each event (He was surprised to see me) reorientation, e.g. a closing statement that may include elaboration. (I hope I can go to the park again next week. It was fun) Structure sometimes reorganises the chronology of events using techniques such as flashbacks, moving the focus backwards and forwards in time, but 			
obituar Writing to inform – recounts	ries Recount of event • concept of a sentence • capital letters and end marks • word choices • correct past tense form • written in the first person	 Simple recount past tense progressive forms of verbs exclamatory sentences to make personal comments subordinating and coordinating conjunctions to join information and give reasons use of noun phrases 	 Sectioned recount planned in sections using conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to sequence events word choices and developed sentence structures to match recount texts Express time, place and cause using conjunctions (e.g. so, because), 	 developed sequential language organised into paragraphs adverbs, adverbials and prepositions to sequence events word choices and 	 ften used in fiction recoun Journalistic writing focusing on journalistic vocab and sentence structures cohesion through choice of techniques within and across paragraphs structural features included in newspaper reports 	ts Developed journalistic writing cohesion through a wider variety of devices passive voice shifts in formality control of vocabulary choices to match the language used in journalistic writing use of semi-colons, colons and dashes to mark boundaries	



effective Comme How to How to How to Writing How to timeta posters	Se of instructions / proced yely and/or correctly with a con forms of instructions / to design and make artefact cal manuals: how to opera to carry out science experim to play a game g rules for behaviour to cook and prepare food bles and route-finders s, notices and signs tions on packaging	a successful outcome for t proceduraltexts: is te computers, phones, dev	he participant/s vices	 to make a board game an introductory senter list any material or equination of the order in which the goal diagrams or illustration some text (Diagram B) a final evaluative state 	 shifts in formality as writing extension use of the past perfect modal verbs can be used to indicate degrees of possibility gin by defining the goal or d ace or paragraph uipment needed, in order nstructions. If a process is to steps need to be followed to ns are often integral and matishows you how to connect to sent can be used to wrap ut our new game. Your beautif 	b be undertaken, keep to to achieve the stated ay even take the place of the wires.) up the process. E.g. Now
	Simple instructions	Developed instructions	Developed instructions	Developed instructions	Complex instructions	
<	 concept of a sentence 	 developed 	 commas to 	clearly sequenced	clearly sequenced	
Writing to inform instructions	basic sequencing of	sequencing with	separate items in	0	• parenthesis can be	
ting to infor instructions	sentencescapital letters and	subordinating and coordinating	list sequenced parts – title;	the use of nouns and pronouns	used to add additional advice	
to i	end marks	conjunctions to join	opening paragrap		relative clauses to	
info	 word choices 	information and give	to introduce		add further	
orm 1s	 correct past tense 	reasons	instructions;		information	
٦ ٦	form		equipment list;		modal verbs to	
	 labels and captions 		method; closing		suggest degrees of	



		 adverbs of time to sequence and to add detail commas to separate items in a list 	 paragraph with 'top tip' headings and subheadings to aic presentation time, place and 	1	 possibility layout devices to provide additional information and guide the reader 	
			cause expressed using conjunctions, adverbs or	,		
			prepositions			
Purpos	se of explanation texts: To	explain how or why, e.g. t		Generic text structure: A ge	eneral statement to introdu	ice the topic being
Purpose of explanation texts: To explain how or why, e.g. to explain the processes involved in natural/social phenomena or to explain a process, such as how a car is made. Common forms of explanatory text: Explaining electricity, forces, food chains etc. in science Explaining inventions such as the steam train, the causes of historic events such as wars and revolutions, explaining the role of the Nile in determining the seasons in Ancient Egypt Explaining phenomena such as the water cycle or how a volcano erupts in geography Explaining religious traditions and practices in RE encyclopaedia entries technical manuals question and answer articles and leaflets science write-ups				 Generic text structure: A general statement to introduce the topic being explained. E.g. In the winter some animals hibernate. the steps or phases in a process are explained logically, in order. E.g. When the nights get longer because the temperature begins to drop so the hedgehog looks for a safe place to hide. specific features that include written in the present tense, text arranged into numbered points, time conjunctions, diagrams with labels and pictures with captions 		
Writing to inform -		 Basic explanation consistent use of present tense questions used to form titles question marks used to denote questions (Y1) 	 Sectioned explanation Introduction to paragraphs as a way to group related material consistent use of present tense 	paragraphs	 Developed explanation text indicate degrees of possibility using adverbs and modal verbs layout devices to provide additional 	Scientific writing/report • cohesion through a wider variety of devices • passive voice



	conjunctions e.g. sobecause to explain	 express time, place and cause using conjunctions (e.g. so, because), adverbs and prepositions heading and subheadings used to aid presentation 		 information and guide the reader cohesion within paragraphs using adverbials relative clauses used to add further information parenthesis to add to the clarification of technical words 	 appropriate levels of formality demonstrated features of explanation texts where appropriate advanced sequential and causal language
to encourage the reade Common forms of exp Publicity materials such Writing editorials to ne Writing letters about to Creating posters and le substance abuse Creating posters, article work about teeth and r Writing book reviews for Book blurbs	as tourist brochures wspapers about controversial issues opics such as traffic on the high stre- aflets about issues such as bullying, es and leaflets promoting healthy liv nutrition or other pupils	seeing things. s et or deforestations stranger danger or	presented: Greentrees I good idea strategically organised i desired viewpoint: Vote been a school councillor a closing statement rep evidence shows that	thesis) that sums up the vie Hotel is the best in the wor Information presents and t for me because I am very three times and I have eats and reinforces the ori It's quite clear that Havin ubt that we are the best	rld. School uniform is a hen elaborates on the experienced. I have ginal thesis: All the
Applying for a job or a Writing to	bosition on the school council Basic persuasive text • written in present tense • rhetorical questions • effective use of noun phrases	Sectioned persuasive text • introduction to paragraphs as a way to group related material • express time, place and cause using	Persuasive text with paragraphs • cohesion through choice of pronouns or nouns within and across sentences, avoiding repetition	 Developed persuasive text evaluating the contrast between formal and informal persuasive texts cohesion through choice of techniques 	Advanced persuasive text • adapting degrees of formality and informality, inc. vocabulary choices, to suit the form of the text • passive voice



		conjunctions (e.g. so, because), adverbs and prepositions • use of present perfect form of verbs	p • p f(• n ir	xpanded noun hrases ersuasive writing eatures nodal verbs to ndicate degrees of ossibility	 expanded noun phrases persuasive writing features modal verbs and adverbs to position the argument structured paragraphs linked with adverbials commas to avoid ambiguity 	 subjunctive form to hypothesise cohesion across paragraphs using a wider range of cohesive devices including conjunctive adverbs persuasive writing features hyphens to avoid ambiguity 			
issue or controversial topic. Usua on an issue, each with elaboration Common forms of discussions t Non-fiction book on an 'issues' Write-up a debate Leaflet or article giving balanced					 General text structure: The most common structure includes: a statement of the issues involved and a preview of the main arguments arguments for, with supporting evidence/examples arguments against or alternative views, with supporting evidence/examples Another common structure presents the arguments 'for' and 'against' alternatively. Discussion texts usually end with a summary and a statement of recommendation or conclusion. The summary may develop one particular viewpoint using reasoned judgements based on the evidence provided. 				
Writing to discuss – balanced arguments			Bas • •	sic discussion text consistent use of present tense – recap from Y2 present perfect form of verbs – recap from Y3 effective use of noun phrases paragraphs to	 Advanced discussion text cohesion within paragraphs using adverbials layout devices to provide additional information and guide the reader 	Complex discussion text cohesion through a wider variety of devices adverbials for cohesion modal verbs and adverbs to position the arguments			



				 organise ideas adverbials e.g. therefore, however heading and subheadings used to aid presentation – recap from Y3 	 modal verbs to indicate degrees of possibility 	 advanced language chosen to represent both arguments appropriate levels of formality applied well-structured arguments language involved with evaluation and viewpoints included use of semi-colons and colons to control sentence structure passive voice subjunctive form to hypothesise
Poetry	 Acrostics The first of last letter in each line spell out a word. Most commonly, it is the first letter that spells out the word The acrostic links to a given theme, e.g. winter Lines usually end with commas 	 Diamantes The poem is presented in the shape of a diamond The line structure is as follows: Line 1: Beginning subject Line 2: Two adjectives about line 1 Line 3: Three verbs or words ending '-ing' 	 Clerihews A clerihew is four lines in length, and includes rhyming couplets (AABB) The subject of the poem is typically a character who is named on one of the lines The mood of this type of poem is comic Mr Smith wears a wig, 	 Kennings A kenning is a two word phrase which describes an object Kenning poems are type of riddle Each line consists of one kenning. There is no set number of lines in each verse, although 8 lines and 1 verse is expected for this 	 Senryus The structure is identical to that of a haiku (see Y2) Each line starts with a capital letter Each line ends with appropriate punctuation Where senryus differ from haikus is their subject: senryus are about human nature or 	 Ottava Rima An Italian style of poetry It is eight lines in length; each line consists of eleven syllables The rhyme scheme is ABABABC Each line opens with a capital letter It is optional whether lines end
	calligrams	about line 1	But for his head it's rather big,	age group The kennings 	emotions	with commas or not



•	The poem usually		Line 4: A short	In	windy weather he		should be ordered	•	They can be	•	A poem may
	describes an		phrase about line		, was careless,		within the poem		, serious or cynical		consist of several
	object		1, a short phrase	No	w Mr Smith's head		with	Fir	st day, new school		versesfollowing
•	The poem is		about line 7		is hairless.		consideration of		year,		the structure
	presented in the		Line 5: Three				the impact on the	Ва	ckpack harbours a		above, although
	shape of the		verbs or words		Limericks		reader		fossil:		one verse is
	object which it is		ending '-ing'	•	The poem is five		Ball catcher	La	st June's cheese		sufficient for this
	describing		about line 7		lines in length and	ſ	Muddy scrambler		sandwich.		age group
•	The layout may		Line 6: Two		follows the rhyme		Fast diver			•	The last line of the
	either be with the		adjectivesabout		scheme AABBA		Long kicker	The	e death of a friend		poem may end
	words inside a		line 7	•	The line structure		Expert thrower		Can leave one		with a question
	shape or around		Line 7: End		is as follows:		Ace defender		devastated.		mark or a full stop
	the outline of a		subject		Line 1: 7-10		Goal saver	Fa	ate is often cruel.	Q	uickly did the tiger
	shape	•	Precise verbs and		syllables		Game winner				egin his fast run,
			adjectivesare		Line 2: 7-10						er hilly ground you
			used in the		syllables						e him fly and leap,
			relevantlines		Line 3: 5-7		Tetractys				The passive prey
	Riddles		indicated above		syllables	•	The poem is five		Renga	la	ying grazing in the
•	The poem				Line 4: 5-7		lines in length	•	Renga poems are		sun,
	describes a noun,				syllables	•	The line structure		written by more		iddenly its life that
	usually an object,				Line 5: 7-10		is as follows:		than one poet	it	wanted to keep,
	but does not				syllables		Line 1: 1 syllable	•	Poet A would		Tiger pounces,
	name it, e.g. it			•	The first line		Line 2: 2 syllables		write three lines	q	uickly getting the
	might describe a				usually begins		Line 3: 3 syllables		followingthe		job done,
	tiger as striped				with 'There was		Line 4: 4 syllables		structure below.		e prey collapsing in
	and furry				a' and ends with		Line 5: 10		Poet B would then		a really big heap,
•	The last line				the name of a		syllables		write the last two		ger sleeps as night
	usually directly				person or place	•	There is no set		lines of the verse	ta	kes over from the
	addresses the			•	The last line		rhyme scheme		followingthe		day,
	reader and uses a				should be rather	•	Each line starts		given structure.		ill we ever see the
							with a capital		This is repeated	nu	nter become prey?



	question: What is	Each line starts	unusual or far-	letter and only	within a pair or	
	it? or Who am I?	with a capital	fetched	the last line ends	small group until	lambic Pentameter
•	The mood of the	letter; commas	Each line starts	with a full stop	the poem is	Unlike other
	poemislight	are used between	with a capital	· · ·	complete	taught styles,
	hearted	verbs and	letter	Am four	The line structure	lambic
		adjectives; no	 Lines often end 	And I go	is as follows:	pentameter refers
		punctuation at	with a comma	To big school	Line 1: 5 syllables	to the way in
		the end of lines	 The mood of this 	where	Line 2: 7 syllables	which individual
		C ¹	type of poem is	I learn to read and	Line 3: 5 syllables	lines are
		Bike Shiny, quiet,	comic, and it can	write and spell my	Line 4: 7 syllables	constructed
		Pedalling, spinning, weaving	even be nonsense	name.	Line 5: 7 syllables	• There are no
		Whizzing round corners, zooming along roads	An ambitious young		• There is no set	particular rules
		Racing, roaring, speeding Fast, loud,	fellow named Matt,	Free verse	rhyme scheme	about verse
		Car	Tried to parachute	Free verse does	• The themes	length
			using his hat,	not follow a set	within a verse	• It is a sequence of
		Haikus	Folks below looked so	syllable pattern or	need to be	ten alternately
		• The mood of a	small,	rhyme scheme	consistent	unstressed and
		haiku is generally	As he started to fall,	 It may be written 	Each line starts	stressed syllables
		serious and is	Then got bigger and	on a range of	with a capital	Children should
		usually about	bigger and SPLAT!	themes	letter and the last	be encouraged to
		nature		 Refer to the KS2 	line of each verse	hear the effect of
		There is no	Free verse	key objectives and	ends with a full	lines being
		rhyming structure	Free verse does	writing curriculum	stop	constructed in
		The line structure	not follow a set	content for Year 4	The final leaf falls	this style
		is as follows:	syllable pattern or		The tree branches are	Two households,
		Line 1: 5 syllables	rhyme scheme		so bare	both alike in dignity,
		Line 2: 7 syllables	 It may be written 		Autumn has arrived	In fair Verona, where
		Line 3: 5 syllables	on a range of		Remember summer's	we lay our scene,
		Each line starts	themes		warm kiss	From ancient grudge
		with a capital	Refer to the KS2		So gentle, it will be	break to new mutiny,
		letter	key objectives and		missed.	Where civil blood



		Free verse	writing curriculum			makes civil hands
		 Free verse does not follow a set syllable pattern or rhyme scheme It may be written on a range of themes Refer to the KS1 key objectives and writing curriculum content for Year 2 	content for Year 3		 Free verse Free verse does not follow a set syllable pattern or rhyme scheme It may be written on a range of themes Refer to the KS2 key objectives and writing curriculum content for Year 5 	 Indikes civil hands unclean. From forth the fatal loins of these two foes A pair of star-cross'd lovers take their life. Free verse Free verse does not follow a set syllable pattern or rhyme scheme It may be written on a range of themes Refer to the KS2 key objectives and writing curriculum content for Year 6
Expectations for each year group	 See Year 1 Reading and Writing Map 	 See Year 2 Reading and Writing Map 	 See Year 3 Reading and Writing Map 	 See Year 4 Reading and Writing Map 	 See Year 5 Reading and Writing Map 	 See Year 6 Reading and Writing Map