

English

Intent:

At Blackwell Primary School, writing takes place daily. This may take place throughout English lessons and also in a range of other subjects, including foundations subjects. We ensure that the following aims are at the core of our teaching and learning:

- To understand the importance of audience and purpose
- To develop strategies to communicate effectively through the written word
- To write in a variety of forms
- To recognise that writing can be a collaborative effort
- To recognise that drafting and redrafting is an essential part of the writing process
- To recognise that spelling is an important skill and ensure that children have a range of strategies to move towards the conventions of the written word

Implementation:

Our school developed writing scheme is implemented through our writing coverage. We use and adapt these approaches to meet the needs of our children and:

- To provide modelled, shared and guided writing
- Using dictionaries and a thesaurus to support the use of interesting vocabulary
- Children need to know and apply the steps taken in the drafting and editing process
- Opportunities to write from real life experiences
- Opportunities to write in a variety of forms and for different audiences, using high quality children's books as a stimulus
- Grammar skills are taught in the context of writing for real purposes
- Opportunities to publish work through a variety of media
- Through marking, children are required to make improvements from teachers' comments
- Peer marking against Learning Aim and Success Criteria

Impact:

Monitoring such progress helps to inform future interventions and support.

Pupils become resilient and can apply their knowledge and understanding to different lessons and contexts. Children will develop a lifelong enjoyment of English.