The Orchard Primary School Writing

The Orchard Child is...

Confident and Mature	Positive	Articulate	Independent	Co-operative
Enthusiastic	Responsible	Respectful	Healthy	Resilient

Intent - Rationale, Ambition and Concepts

In The Orchard Primary School our aim is that all our pupils develop into confident, mature and enthusiastic writers who are able to apply their writing skills across all subjects. In order to nurture and grow the 'complete writer' we want all our pupils to have a solid understanding of the elements of writing. They should be able to shape their compositions for the audience, context and purpose across a full range of genres. This will include an appreciation of how grammar, spelling and precise vocabulary choices will impact on their work. We also seek to develop within our pupils a real sense of pride in their work which is reflected in the development of clear, consistent joined-up handwriting. We feel that engaging pupils in their work helps to cultivate a sense of independence. This is achieved through ensuring our units of work not only reflect the national curriculum expectations but also, at times, are aligned to the termly topics and reflect the experiences and backgrounds of our children.

We firmly believe that all good writers need to have the capacity to reflect, edit and amend their work, which also helps to develop their writing stamina and a sense of ownership of their work. The positive attitudes that our pupils have to writing has also been engendered by the clear progression in skills and knowledge that that we have established within our writing framework. This ensures that pupils are able to build on their prior knowledge in order to develop not only as writers but as individuals who will become lifelong learners.