Medium Term Planning- Writing (2016-2017) - Year 6

	Autumn 1 (7wks)	Autumn 2 (7wks)	Spring 1 (7wks)	Spring 2 (6wks)	Summer 1 (5wks) SATs	Summer 2 (7wks)
Purpose	To entertain	To influence	To entertain To express	To inform	To entertain	To guide
Form	- Contemporary narrative 4wks -Classic poetry (WW1) 3wks	- Recount (newspaper) 3wks - Persuasion arguments 2wks - Discussions 2wks	- Recount diary - (Nazi Soldier) 2wks - Historical narrative 3wks	- non-chronological report 3wks - Biography on Louis Sachar	- Form poetry (rap) 2 weeks - horror 3 weeks	instructionsexplanationsLeafletCuration
Text	- Skellig	- Kensuke's Kingdom	- Once	- Holes	- Coraline	- Unforgotten Coat
Paragraph and sentences	- In narratives, describing settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action - Ensuring correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural, distinguishing between the language of speech and writing and choosing the appropriate	- Using a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs - Using further organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader - Ensuring correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural, distinguishing between the language of speech and writing and choosing the appropriate register - Using expanded	- In narratives, describing settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action - Using a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs - Using expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely - Devices to build cohesion, including adverbials of time,	- Précising longer passages - Using a wide range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs - Using further organisational and presentational devices to structure text and to guide the reader - Using expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely	- In narratives, describing settings, characters and atmosphere and integrating dialogue to convey character and advance the action (horror) - Ensuring correct subject and verb agreement when using singular and plural, distinguishing between the language of speech and writing and choosing the appropriate register - Devices to build cohesion, including adverbials of time,	- Précising longer passages - Devices to build cohesion, including adverbials of time, place and number

	register - Using relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that or with an implied (i.e. omitted) relative pronoun	noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely	place and number		place and number	
Vocabulary and punctuation	- Selecting appropriate grammar and vocabulary, understanding how such choices can change and enhance meaning - Ensuring the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing - Use of ellipsis - Using semicolons, colons or dashes to mark boundaries between independent clauses - Differences in informal and formal language	- Ensuring the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing - Using modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degrees of possibility - Recognising vocabulary and structures that are appropriate for formal speech and writing, including subjunctive forms - Using the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause	- Ensuring the consistent and correct use of tense throughout a piece of writing - Using modal verbs or adverbs to indicate degrees of possibility - Using brackets, dashes, commas and hyphens to indicate parenthesis, clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writing - Using semicolons, colons or dashes to mark boundaries between independent clauses - Differences in informal and formal language	- Recognising vocabulary and structures that are appropriate for formal speech and writing, including subjunctive forms - Using passive verbs to affect the presentation of information in a sentence - Using brackets, dashes, commas and hyphens to indicate parenthesis, clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writing - Punctuating bullet points consistently	- Using the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause - Use of ellipsis - Using semicolons, colons or dashes to mark boundaries between independent clauses	- Using a colon to introduce a list - Punctuating bullet points consistently
Contexts	- Humans and animals (S) - WW1 (H)	- electricty (S) - Ireland (G)	- Light (S) - WW2 (H)	- evolution and inheritance (S) - Holland (G)	- Living things and their habitats (5) - Britain since 1938 (H)	- Living things and their habitats (S) - Brazil (G)

Spellings:

The following spelling strategies need to be taught across the year during your word and sentence work activities. Children need to be taught the 'rules' for these spellings, which should be identified on planning.

Statutory requirements	Rules and guidance (non-statutory)	Example words (non-statutory)		
Endings which sound like /ʃəs/ spelt -cious or -tious	Not many common words end like this. If the root word ends in -ce, the /ʃ/ sound is usually spelt as c - e.g. vice - vicious, grace - gracious, space - spacious, malice - malicious. Exception: anxious.	vicious, precious, conscious, delicious, malicious, suspicious ambitious, cautious, fictitious, infectious, nutritious		
Endings which sound like /ʃəl/	-cial is common after a vowel letter and -tial after a consonant letter, but there are some exceptions. Exceptions: initial, financial, commercial, provincial (the spelling of the last three is clearly related to finance, commerce and province).	official, special, artificial, partial, confidential, essential		
Words ending in -ant, -ance/-ancy, - ent, -ence/-ency	Use -ant and -ance/-ancy if there is a related word with a /æ/ or /ei/ sound in the right position; -ation endings are often a clue.	observant, observance, (observation), expectant (expectation), hesitant, hesitancy (hesitation), tolerant, tolerance (toleration), substance (substantial)		
	Use -ent and -ence/-ency after soft c (/s/ sound), soft g (/d3/ sound) and qu , or if there is a related word with a clear $/\epsilon$ / sound in the right position.	innocent, innocence, decent, decency, frequent, frequency, confident, confidence (confidential)		
	There are many words, however, where the above guidance does not help. These words just have to be learnt.	assistant, assistance, obedient, obedience, independent, independence		
Words ending in -able and -ible	The -able/-ably endings are far more common than the -ible/-ibly endings.	adorable/adorably (adoration),		
Words ending in -ably and -ibly	As with -ant and -ance/-ancy, the -able ending is used if there is a related word ending in -ation.	applicable/applicably (application), considerable/considerably (consideration), tolerable/tolerably (toleration)		
	If the -able ending is added to a word ending in -ce or -ge, the e after the c or g must be kept as those letters would otherwise have their 'hard' sounds (as in cap and gap) before the a of the -able ending.	changeable, noticeable, forcible, legible		
	The -able ending is usually but not always used if a complete root word can be heard before it, even if there is no related word ending in -ation. The first five examples opposite are obvious; in reliable, the complete word rely is heard, but the y changes to i in accordance with the rule.	dependable, comfortable, understandable, reasonable, enjoyable, reliable		
	The -ible ending is common if a complete root word can't be heard before it but it also sometimes occurs when a complete word can be heard (e.g. sensible).	possible/possibly, horrible/horribly, terrible/terribly, visible/visibly, incredible/incredibly, sensible/sensibly		

Adding suffixes beginning with vowel	The r is doubled if the -fer is still stressed when the ending is added.	referring, referred, referral, preferring, preferred, transferring, transferred		
letters to words ending in -fer	The r is not doubled if the -fer is no longer stressed.	reference, referee, preference, transference		
Use of the hyphen	Hyphens can be used to join a prefix to a root word, especially if the prefix ends in a vowel letter and the root word also begins with one.	co-ordinate, re-enter, co-operate, co-own		
Words with the /i:/ sound spelt ei after c	The 'i before e except after c' rule applies to words where the sound spelt by ei is /i:/. Exceptions: protein, caffeine, seize (and either and neither if pronounced with an initial /i:/ sound).	deceive, conceive, receive, perceive, ceiling		
Words containing the letter-string ough	ough is one of the trickiest spellings in English - it can be used to spell a number of different sounds.	ought, bought, thought, nought, brought, fought / rough, tough, enough / cough / though, although, dough / through / thorough, borough / plough, bough		
Words with 'silent' letters (i.e. letters whose presence cannot be predicted from the pronunciation	Some letters which are no longer sounded used to be sounded hundreds of years ago: e.g. in <i>knight</i> , there was a /k/ sound before the /n/, and the gh used to represent the sound that 'ch' now represents in the Scottish word <i>loch</i>	doubt, island, lamb, solemn, thistle, knight		
Homophones and other words that are often confused	In the pairs of words opposite, nouns end -ce and verbs end -se. Advice and advise provide a useful clue as the word advise (verb) is pronounced with a /z/ sound - which could not be spelt c.	advice/advise, device/devise, licence/license, practice/practise, prophecy/prophesy		
	More examples:	farther: further father: a male parent		
	aisle: a gangway between seats (in a church, train, plane). isle: an island.	guessed: past tense of the verb guess guest: visitor heard: past tense of the verb hear herd: a group of animals led: past tense of the verb lead lead: present tense of that verb, or else the metal which is very heavy (as heavy as lead) morning: before noon / mourning: grieving for someone who has died past: noun or adjective referring to a previous time (e.g. In the past) or preposition or adverb showing place (e.g. he walked past me) passed: past tense of the verb 'pass' (e.g. I passed him in the road)		
	aloud: out loud. allowed: permitted.			
	affect: usually a verb (e.g. The weather may affect our plans). effect: usually a noun (e.g. It may have an effect on our plans). If a verb, it means 'bring about' (e.g. He will effect changes in the running of the business).			
	altar: a table-like piece of furniture in a church, alter: to change.			
	ascent: the act of ascending (going up). assent: to agree/agreement (verb and noun).			
	bridal: to do with a bride at a wedding. bridle: reins etc. for controlling a horse.	precede: go in front of or before proceed: go on		
	cereal: made from grain (e.g. breakfast cereal). serial: adjective from the noun <i>series</i> - a succession of things one after the other.			
	compliment: to make nice remarks about someone (verb) or the remark that is made (noun). complement: related to the word <i>complete</i> - to make something complete or more complete (e.g. her scarf complemented her outfit).			
Homophones and other words that are often confused (continued)	descent: the act of descending (going down). dissent: to disagree/disagreement (verb and noun).	principal: adjective – most important (e.g. principal ballerina) noun – important person (e.g. principal of a college) principle: basic truth or belief		

desert: as a noun - a barren place (stress on first syllable); as a verb - to abandon (stress on second syllable) dessert: (stress on second syllable) a sweet course after the main course of a meal.

draft: noun - a first attempt at writing something; verb - to make the first attempt; also, to draw in someone (e.g. to draft in extra help) draught: a current of air.

profit: money that is made in selling things prophet: someone who foretells the future stationary: not moving stationary: paper, envelopes etc.

steal: take something that does not belong to you steel: metal

wary: cautious weary: tired

who's: contraction of who is or who has whose: belonging to someone (e.g. Whose jacket is that?)

Word list - years 5 and 6

accommodate	communicate	definite	individual	persuade	shoulder
accompany	community	desperate	interfere	physical	signature
according	competition	•	interrupt	prejudice	sincere(ly)
achieve aggressive amateur ancient	conscience* conscious* controversy convenience	determined develop dictionary disastrous embarrass	language leisure lightning marvellous	privilege profession programme pronunciation	soldier stomach sufficient suggest
apparent appreciate	correspond	environment equip (-ped, -ment)	mischievous muscle	queue recognise	symbol system
attached available	frequently government	especially	necessary neighbour	recommend relevant	temperature
average awkward	guarantee	exaggerate excellent	nuisance occupy	restaurant rhyme	thorough twelfth
bargain bruise	harass hindrance	existence explanation	occur opportunity	rhythm sacrifice	variety vegetable
category cemetery committee	identity immediate(ly) criticise (critic + ise)	familiar foreign forty	parliament	secretary	vehicle yacht
Committee	curiosity				