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p a	Our aim is to encourage children to be independent writers for a range of audiences and purposes across different text types. Pupils will be taught to apply their writing skills across all curriculum subjects and themes which have been carefully developed around quality, challenging texts.
Implementation	 Spelling is an important skill both in and out of school. Spelling rules are explicitly taught in the classrooms through Twinkl approach. There is an expectation that children will spend time at home learning their spellings. Writing is evident in every aspect of our curriculum and varying text types are taught throughout the school. The objectives of the National Curriculum are closely followed to ensure that the skills learnt in spelling, punctuation and grammar are embedded and transferred into writing. KS1 follow a Talk for Writing approach. KS2 follow Read in to Writing scheme. Lessons are carefully planned so that skills are taught, embedded, revisited and then developed in a sequential way which promotes learning and retention of knowledge and skills. Fiction writing is modelled on challenging class texts which are studied in guided reading sessions, strengthening the link between reading and writing. Pupils are given a language rich curriculum and are encouraged and shown how to effectively use interesting and adventurous language in their writing. We expect and encourage children to present their work neatly so handwriting and fine motor skills are taught throughout the school. Pupils are expected to start using a joined script in Year 1 and continue to develop this throughout KS1 and KS2.
Impact	 Writing assessment is ongoing throughout every lesson and cross curricular themes to help teachers with their planning, lesson activities, targeted pupil support and enable appropriate challenge to all children. Pupils are given detailed feedback and next steps to respond to in order to personalise learning and provide the children with opportunities to edit and improve their own writing. A tracker based on National Curriculum objectives is used to inform teachers and leaders of the skills and knowledge the pupils have achieved or need to improve further. School improvement leaders closely monitor all pupil's books and hold individual termly meetings with all teachers to assess every individual child's learning needs and progress. In addition, pupil voice is used to enable leaders to assess the impact of writing across the curriculum. KS1 statutory assessments will be above national average in reading, writing and maths. KS2 statutory assessment will be above national average in reading, writing and maths.