Year 4 English Programme of Study

Reading: word reading	Reading: comprehension	Writing: transcription Spelling	Writing: transcription Handwriting	Writing: composition	Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation	Spoken language
Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:	(see Appendix 1)	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:	Pupils should be taught to:
apply their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes (etymology and morphology) as listed in Appendix 1, both to read aloud and to understand the meaning of new words they meet read further exception words, noting the unusual correspondences between spelling and sound, and where these occur in the word.	 develop positive attitudes to reading and understanding of what they read by: listening to and discussing a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks reading books that are structured in different ways and reading for a range of purposes using dictionaries to check the meaning of words that they have read increasing their familiarity with a wide range of books, including fairy stories, myths and legends, and retelling some of these orally identifying themes and conventions in a wide range of books preparing poems and play scripts to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action discussing words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination recognising some different forms of poetry (e.g. free verse, narrative poetry) understand what they read, in books they can read independently, by: checking that the text makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and explaining the meaning of words in context asking questions to improve their understanding of a text drawing inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying inferences with evidence predicting what might happen from details stated and implied identifying main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarising these identifying how language, structure, and presentation contribute to meaning retrieve and record information from non-fiction participate in discussion about both books that are read to them and those they can read for themselves, taking turns and listening to what others say. 	Pupils should be taught to: • use further prefixes and suffixes and understand how to add them (Appendix 1) • spell further homophones • spell words that are often misspelt (Appendix 1) • use the first two or three letters of a word to check its spelling in a dictionary • write from memory simple sentences, dictated by the teacher, that include words and punctuation taught so far. Adding suffixes beginning with vowel letters to words of more than one syllable The /// sound spelt y elsewhere than at the end of words The suffix –ation The suffix –ation The suffix –ation The suffix –ation The suffix –ation The suffix –ous Endings which sound like /ʒən/ The suffix –ous Endings which sound like /ʒən/ Sendings which sound like /ʒən/ The suffix –ous Endings which sound like /ʒən/ Sendings which sound like /ʒən/ Words with the /k/ sound spelt ch (Greek in origin) Words with the /s/ sound spelt sc (Latin in origin) Words with the /	 use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting, e.g. by ensuring that the downstrokes of letters are parallel and equidistant; that lines of writing are spaced sufficiently so that the ascenders and descenders of letters do not touch. 	 plan their writing by: discussing writing similar to that which they are planning to write in order to understand and learn from its structure, grammar and vocabulary discussing and recording ideas draft and write by: composing and rehearsing sentences orally (including dialogue), progressively building a varied and rich vocabulary and an increasing range of sentence structures (See Appendix 2) organising paragraphs around a theme in narratives, creating settings, characters and plot in non-narrative material, using simple organisational devices such as headings and subheadings evaluate and edit by: assessing the effectiveness of their own and others' writing and suggesting improvements proposing changes to grammar and vocabulary to improve consistency, e.g. the accurate use of pronours in sentences proof-read for spelling and punctuation errors read aloud their own writing, to a group or the whole class, using appropriate intonation and controlling the tone and volume so that the meaning is clear. 	 develop their understanding of the concepts set out in Appendix 2 by: extending the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions, e.g. when, if, because, although using the perfect form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause choosing nouns or pronouns appropriately for clarity and cohesion choosing nouns or pronouns appropriately within a sentence to avoid ambiguity and repetition using conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause using fronted adverbials learning the grammar of word structure in Appendix 2 indicate grammatical and other features by: using commas after fronted adverbials indicating possession by using the possessive apostrophe with singular and plural nouns using and punctuating direct speech – inverted commas use and understand the grammatical terminology in Appendix 2 accurately and appropriately when discussing their writing and reading. The grammatical difference between plural and possessive - S Standard English forms for verb inflections instead of local spoken forms (e.g. we were instead of we was, or I did instead of I done) Use of paragraphs to organise ideas around a theme Terminology for pupils pronoun, possessive pronoun, adverbial 	 listen and discuss a wide range of fiction, poetry, plays, non-fiction and reference books or textbooks increasing their familiarity with a wide range of books, including fairy stories, myths and legends, and retelling some of these orally preparing poems and play scripts to read aloud and to perform, showing understanding through intonation, tone, volume and action discussing words and phrases that capture the reader's interest and imagination checking that the text makes sense to them, discussing their understanding and explaining the meaning of words in context asking questions to improve their understanding of a text identifying main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarising these identifying main discussion about both books that are read to them and those they can read for themselves, taking turns and listening to what others say. discussing and recording ideas read aloud their own writing, to a group or the whole class, using apropriate intonation and controlling the tone and volume so that the meaning is clear.