**At Dogsthorpe Infant School, we believe that Writing is an essential life skill and a mode of expression.**

**SUBJECT ON A PAGE**

**Writing**

**Intent – We aim to…**

Support children to be articulate & confident communicators who express themselves and enhance their learning when engaging in discussions.

Develop a consistent approach to Writing teaching, using ‘Pathways to Write’ to ensure the best outcomes for all children.

Deliver an engaging & exciting curriculum that helps develop a love of writing & inspires children to want to write.

Provide a range of diverse opportunities for writing for different reasons, including those needed in day-to-day life.

Provide children with essential skills in grammar, spelling, punctuation, and composition that will be life-long.

**Implementation – How do we achieve our aims?**

**Wider curriculum and/or**

**home learning**

Children in the EYFS engage in writing for various purposes, a skill further refined and enhanced during KS1. Writing serves as a tool throughout the curriculum, particularly evident in topic books. Additionally, activities are uploaded onto our home learning platform on a half-termly basis.

**Resources**

We use the ‘Pathways to Write’ scheme which is planned with a diverse range of texts. The scheme is built around units of work which develop vocabulary, reading and writing skills through a mastery approach. Each child is given a toolkit to support their independent writing. This includes materials and prompts from our Monster Phonics lessons.

**Organisation**

Writing lessons are taught daily for one hour or every other day for two hours, following the ‘Pathways to Write’ scheme, ensuring a consistent and systematic approach. These are made up of whole class discussions, drama and roleplay, and writing activities. Handwriting is taught 2-3 times a week as a standalone lesson.

**Impact – What will we see?**

Our approach prioritises meaningful outcomes through captivating writing experiences rooted in high quality literature, fueling creativity and inspiration. Our children will not only show confidence, fluency, and imagination in their writing but also enhance their precision. By immersing them in rich vocabulary found in literature, they will naturally develop an enjoyment for writing. We seamlessly integrate punctuation and grammar into daily writing sessions, ensuring these vital skills are not only taught but consistently reinforced and refined. This empowers our children to articulate their language use effectively, showcasing a solid understanding of their writing tools. We employ effective teaching methods tailored to challenge greater depth writers, ensuring all students are continually challenged to reach their full potential. By utilising past units for adaptation, we cater to the diverse needs of our writers. Expanding beyond traditional English contexts, we offer writing opportunities across various subjects, enabling our children to transfer their skills. This approach allows them to apply their English language proficiency fluently across all areas of their learning, enriching their educational journey.