



## How Writing is Taught

At St Mary's Catholic First School, teachers use a writing scheme called The Write Stuff by Jane Considine to teach the majority of the writing. This is based on the philosophy that three essential elements are required to be a successful writer: ideas, tools and techniques. It also complements the school's pedagogy of learning and Rosenshine's Principles of teaching; with its use of modelling, recapping and teaching in small, manageable parts.

Alongside The Write Stuff, children are encouraged to think freely and write independently; ensuring that the tools, techniques and ideas learned in the scheme are embedded and utilised in other areas of the curriculum. In order to achieve this, every child has a weekly independent piece of writing - based on different areas of the curriculum. This could relate to significant local, international or global events.

Spellings are taught daily and from the "No Nonsense spelling" scheme from Yr 3. Handwriting is also taught daily. We aim for every child to move onto Middle school being able to write fluently with a pen.

