At Blessed Sacrament a Year 1 writer:-



- Can spell words containing each of the 40+ phonemes.
- Can read and spell the year 1 common exception words.
- Can write the days of the week.
- Can name the letters of the alphabet and put them in order.
- Can use letter names to find different spellings of the same sound.
- Can use the spelling rule for adding 's' or 'es' to make nouns plural.
- Can write sentences the teacher says, spelling words I have been taught correctly.
- Can use the prefix un and the ending 'ing', 'ed', 'er' and 'est when no change is needed in the root word.



Handwriting

- Can sit correctly at the table, holding the pencil correctly.
- Form lower case letters correctly, starting and finishing in the right place.
- Can write some capital letters correctly.
- Can form the digits 0-9 correctly.



- Can write sentences by saying out loud what they will write first.
- Describes what they are going to write about.
- Ordering sentences they have written to make a short story.
- Read what they have written to check it makes sense.
- Talk about what they have written with their teacher.
- Read aloud their writing to others.



- Leaves spaces between words.
- Joins sentences using simple connectives.
- Uses a capital letter to start sentences and a full stop to end them.
- Uses question marks and exclamation marks sometimes.
- Uses capital letters for names of people, places, the days of the week and the personal pronoun 'l'.