At Blessed Sacrament a Year 3 writer:-



- Uses a range of prefixes and suffixes and understand how to add them correctly.
- Spells correctly a range of homophones.
- Places the possessive apostrophe accurately.
- Reads and writes some y3/y4 common exception words correctly.
- Consistently spell correctly words taught in KS1.
- Uses the first two or three letters of a word to check spellings in a dictionary.



Handwriting

- Uses the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters.
- Understands which letters are best left unjoined when next to each other.
- Has increasingly legible and consistent quality handwriting.



- Plan their writing.
- Discuss writing similar to what they are planning to write to help with structure, vocabulary and grammar.
- Draft and write by composing and rehearsing sentences orally, building up to a varied vocabulary.
- Uses an increasing range of sentence structure.
- Organises paragraphs around a theme,
- Creates settings, plots and characters in narrative and uses organisational devices in non-fiction.



- Extends the range of sentences with more than one clause by using a wider range of conjunctions.
- Uses the present perfect form of verbs.
- Chooses nouns or pronouns for clarity and cohesion.
- Uses some conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions to express time and cause.
- Uses some fronted adverbials remembering to use commas after them.
- Shows possession by using the possessive apostrophe.