Age-related expectations: Year Two

Writing

Transcription and handwriting

Spelling

- 1. I can segment spoken words into phonemes and record these as grapheme, spelling many correctly.
- 2. I can spell words with alternatives spellings, including a few common homophones and near homophones.
- 3. I can spell common exception words.
- 4. I can spell some contractions.
- 5. I can spell unfamiliar words using alternative spellings of the same phoneme (eg identifying known phonemes in unfamiliar words, using syllables, narrowing down possibilities).
- 6. I can write simple dictated sentences that include words and punctuation taught so far.
- 7. I can use the suffixes 'er', 'est' in adjectives and 'ly' to turn adjectives into adverbs.
- 8. I can spell longer words using suffixes including 'ment', 'ness', 'ful', 'less'.

Handwriting

- 9. I use capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower case letters.
- 10. I am beginning to use some of the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters.
- 11. I can form lower-case letters of the correct size relative to one another.
- 12. I show which letters may be left un-joined.
- 13. I use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters.

Grammar and punctuation terminology

noun, noun phrase, verb, adjective tense (past, present) suffix apostrophe, comma compound statement, question, exclamation, command

Vocabulary, grammar and punctuation

Grammar

- 14. I can use subordination (using 'when', 'if', 'that', 'because') and co-ordination (using 'or', 'and', 'but').
- 15. I can use expanded noun phrases (eg 'the butterfly' = noun phrase, whereas 'the blue butterfly' = expanded noun phrase).
- 16. I consistently use the correct tense: present and past.
- 17. I can use sentences with different forms: statement, question, exclamation, command.
- 18. I can use some features of Standard English eg avoid double negatives, use of 'cos'.
- 19. I can write sentences with one 'chunk' of meaning (or join 'chunks' of meaning).

Punctuation

- 20. I correctly demarcate sentences with capital letters and full stops / ? / !
- 21. I can use commas to separate items in a list.
- 22. I can use apostrophes to show missing letters.
- 23. I can use apostrophes to show singular possession in nouns.
- 24. I use capital letters for a wider range of proper nouns.

- ∀Use time adverbs/adverbials other than first, next etc to move events on in narrative. For example A few minutes later..., In the Spring..., At midnight...
- Add detail through noun phrases: creaking door, shining brightly Use a range of sentence starters: Gently..., Unfortunately...,

As..., Vocabulary

Sentence structure

- ∀Use some phrases and words that they come across in reading
 ∀Use specific nouns when needed. For example terrier, not dog
 Punctuation
- & Check that capital letters, commas and question marks are used when needed and attempt to use speech marks

Composition

Purpose and organisation

- 25. I can write for different purposes, including real events and poetry, showing a positive attitude and stamina.
- 26. I am able to orally rehearse a structured sentence or sequences of sentences.
- 27. I can plan and discuss the content of writing and record my ideas.
- 28. I can write narratives about personal experiences and those of others, both real and fictional.
- 29. I can use the progressive forms of verbs in the present and past tense (I am running / I was running).

Editing

- 30. I can re-read what I have written to check that it makes sense.
- 31. I can proof-read to check for errors in spelling, grammar and punctuation.
- 32. I can evaluate my own writing independently, with friends and with an adult.
- 33. I can read aloud what I've written with appropriate intonation.

Purpose and organisation

- Write a narrative with a clear beginning, middle and end with events
- sequenced logically
- YUse simple layout features of non-fiction text types taught so far
- ∀Use first and third person consistently
- ∀Use dialogue appropriately in narrative writing
- ★Sustain a longer piece of writing
- ∀Group related material into sections/paragraphs