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West Oxford Writing

We love writing at West Oxford CP School and our children are enthusiastic and very able writers. We teach writing through exciting and rich texts, from around the world, to ensure that children enjoy the process and make that important link between reading and writing. This approach is called Power of Reading and each Year group has age appropriate texts. More information can be found on:

<https://www.clpe.org.uk/powerofreading>

Writing is something that can always be improved and developed and the current government expectations of writing have meant a national drop in writing standards. We are keen to ensure that we still keep the balance of high standards of grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) as well as creativity. Parents and teachers working together will achieve this and ensure that children continue to want to write.

Parent Forum fed back to staff that parents want to be involved in this process and there have been consultations with staff. Below is what we will be launching in September to support our children in their writing:

- Writing expectations sent home at the start of the academic year. This will be both the child friendly targets, which children manage, as well as how teachers assess.
- Statutory spelling words sent home at the start of the academic year and ideas for how to practice the words.
- 'Talk homework' set alongside the English homework.
- Children who have put hard work and effort into their writing sent to Mrs Palfreyman for a special sticker and reward.
- Writing display in reception area that celebrates writing from children across year groups.
- Local/parent writers coming into school to excite children about writing and apply it to real life contexts. Please do contact the school if you would be interested in running a workshop or doing a short talk on what you do and what makes a great writer. We need you!