# **Year 1 Writing Expectations**

## **Write for Different Purposes**

Developing sentences to create short narratives and non-fiction pieces

e.g. short story, recount of a class trip

# **Use Features of Text Types**

Begin to use a variety of different features (does not have to always be consistent)

e.g. using numbers to order in an instruction text

#### **Read Own Writing**

Able to read their writing and make some corrections when aided by teacher

e.g. I play(ed) outside last night.

## **Use Adjectives to Describe Nouns**

Begin to use some adjectives to add detail to a sentence.

e.g. The red car sped down the road.

#### **Use Simple Sentence Structures**

Simple sentences, punctuated correctly.

e.g. I went to the shop. I got some sweets.

#### Use the Conjunction 'And'

Use 'and' as a coordinating conjunction to link two clauses

e.g. I went to the park and played on the swings.

## **Correct Spacing**

Use of finger spaces between words

e.g. Tess took her dog for a walk.

#### **Use of Capital Letters**

Some attempt to use capital letters for names, places, days of the week/month

e.g. Tommy, London, September

#### **Use of Full Stops**

Using full stops to correctly end sentences.

e.g. Bob rang his mum. She picked up the phone.

## **Use of Question Marks**

Using a question mark at the end of a question sentence

e.g. Who took my pencil?

#### **Use of Exclamation Marks**

Exclamation marks to signal exclamation sentences

e.g. What a lovely day it is today!

### **Sound out Words**

Spell most words correctly when they contain learned phonemes

e.g. s-l-ee-p n-igh-t

#### **Form Letter Correctly**

Using correct size and spacing with lower case letters

e.g. appropriate size/proportion of lower and upper case letters, ascenders and descenders

### **Use of Prefixes and Suffixes**

Using the prefix –un and the suffixes –ing, -ed, -er, -est

e.g. unkind, swimming, scared, teacher, greatest

### **Begin to Write Plural Forms of Words**

Adding –s or –es to words to make them plural

e.g. Mr Yusef had two boxes of toys.

# Spell Most Common Exception Words and Days of the Week

See spelling list for year 1

e.g. Monday, friend, school