## Some help with grammar, spelling and punctuation in writing.

To achieve the 'expected level' in writing by the end of the year, the children need to be familiar with the following and show evidence of their understanding in independent writing. Technical stuff! Mrs Daniels

	Year 4	Year 5
Word	The difference between plural and possessive –s The boy's football. The boys' football.  Verb inflections We was We were I done. I did	Convert nouns or adjectives into verbs, by using suffixes eg —ate, -ise, -ify authorise advertise classify captivate  Verb prefixes eg dis- de- mis- over- redisappear defrost mistake replay
Sentence structure	Expanded noun phrases The teacher The strict teacher with crazy hair  Fronted adverbials Later that day, Mrs Daniels explained to the class about the project.	Relative clauses. These usually begin with who, which, when, where, whose, that Class 5, who were great scientists, counted the percentage of seeds that had germinated.  Modal verbs: eg. might, should, will The red packet might contain the space seeds. or adverbs to show degrees of possibility: perhaps, surely
Writing complete texts	Use of <u>paragraphs</u> to organise ideas.  New paragraph for a shift in time, place or theme.	Cohesion within a paragraph (using words such as then, after that, firstly)  Link paragraphs using adverbials of time (eg later) place (nearby) and number (secondly)
Punctuation	Inverted commas to indicate direct speech with a comma after the reporting clause.  Mrs Daniels muttered, "Who has not sharpened their pencil into the bin?"  Apostrophes for plural possession.  Use of commas after fronted adverbials.	Brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis.  A word or phrase inserted (as an afterthought or explanation) in a sentence.  Use of commas to clarify meaning and avoid ambiguity  Let's eat Grandma.  Let's eat, Grandma.
Terminology	Determiner: a car, the car, this car, those cars, every car Pronouns: I, me, you, he, my, they Possessive pronoun: mine, yours, his, hers, ours Adverbial: explains how, where, with whom or why something happened	Noun, adjective, verb Suffix, prefix Modal verb Relative pronoun (who, which, that) Relative clause Parenthesis, bracket, dash Cohesion, ambiguity