

YEAR 2

Writing & Literacy Program Guide

A structured literacy program that builds confidence in vocabulary, grammar, comprehension and writing, aligned with the Australian Curriculum and preparing students for Year 3 and beyond.

Australian Curriculum Aligned • Structured Literacy Development
Vocabulary, Grammar & Writing Focus • NAPLAN Readiness Foundations

The Writing Club — Sydney's Writing Specialists

Curriculum Resources Included

Every Year 2 student receives two curriculum books to build strong literacy foundations and develop confident, capable writers.

Confident Communicator Vocabulary & Fluency for Young Writers	Skill Mastery Grammar & Test-Style Practice
• Vocabulary enrichment • Figurative language • Communication skills • Fluency development • Writing confidence	• Grammar and language conventions • Text types • Spelling and punctuation • Assessment-style literacy activities • Language development

Year 2 Learning Journey

A year-long pathway that progressively builds skills and prepares students for Year 3 and NAPLAN.

TERM 1 — Developing Writing Confidence

Students strengthen the foundations of written expression, building the vocabulary, sentence control and confidence to write independently.

Focus Areas: Vocabulary acquisition and application, Sentence expansion strategies, Grammar and punctuation conventions, Reading comprehension foundations, Sequencing and organisation of ideas, Descriptive language development, Guided journal writing, Oral language and discussion skills.

Text Types: Personal recounts, Narratives, Descriptive texts.

TERM 2 — Information & Explanation

Students learn to research, organise and communicate information clearly through factual and explanatory texts.

Focus Areas: Topic-specific vocabulary, Information retrieval skills, Reading comprehension strategies, Grammar conventions, Paragraph organisation, Fact versus opinion, Figurative language exploration, Visual literacy.

Text Types: Information reports, Explanations, Descriptions.

TERM 3 — Persuasive Communication

Students explore how language persuades, learning to express and support opinions with clear reasoning.

Focus Areas: Persuasive vocabulary, Sentence fluency, Grammar application, Reading for meaning, Persuasive devices, Supporting opinions with reasons, Editing and proofreading, Language features.

Text Types: Persuasive texts, Opinion writing, Discussions.

TERM 4 — Independent Writing & Literacy Application

Students consolidate their skills and apply them independently across creative and assessment-style literacy tasks.

Focus Areas: Creative thinking, Writing fluency, Vocabulary application, Editing strategies, Reading comprehension, Reflection and self-assessment, Assessment-style literacy tasks, Independent writing.

Text Types: Narrative writing, Imaginative texts, Mixed text responses.

Year 2 is a critical transition year where students move from learning foundational literacy skills to applying them independently across a wider range of text types.

Skills Students Develop Throughout the Year

Vocabulary Development Expand academic and topic vocabulary and apply new words with precision in writing and speech.	Reading Comprehension Build literal, inferential and evaluative comprehension across a widening range of texts.
Writing Craft Plan, draft and refine well-structured sentences and paragraphs with clarity and creativity.	Grammar & Language Conventions Master grammar, punctuation and spelling to write with accuracy and control.
Text Types & Purpose Understand how different text types are shaped by purpose, audience and form.	Test-Taking & Learning Skills Develop the focus, strategies and confidence that support assessment-style literacy tasks.

Looking Ahead: Preparing for Year 3 & NAPLAN

Although NAPLAN begins in Year 3, strong literacy foundations are developed well before students sit the assessment. Throughout Year 2, students progressively build the vocabulary, reading comprehension, grammar and writing skills that support future NAPLAN success.

YEAR 2 Build Foundations Vocabulary, reading comprehension, grammar and writing skills are established.	YEAR 3 Apply Skills Students apply their literacy skills across a wider range of texts and tasks.	NAPLAN Perform with Confidence Strong foundations support success in their first NAPLAN assessment.
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Is Your Child Ready for Year 3 & NAPLAN?

A practical guide to help parents understand Year 2 literacy milestones and how to prepare for the transition to Year 3 and NAPLAN.

- Year 2 Literacy Milestones
- Vocabulary Checklist
- Reading Comprehension Benchmarks
- Writing Expectations
- Preparing for Year 3 NAPLAN
- Home Learning Strategies

About The Writing Club

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