

Simonside Primary School
Whole School Writing Genres Overview 2025-2026



Year Group	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Nursery	Nursery Rhymes – tuning into sounds	Nursery Rhymes – tuning into sounds	Nursery Rhymes – tuning into sounds	Nursery Rhymes – tuning into sounds	Nursery Rhymes – tuning into sounds	Nursery Rhymes – tuning into sounds
Reception	Foundations for writing – phase 2 single letter sounds Readiness to write (fine motor skills)	Foundations for writing – phase 2 letter formation and CVC words Writing name	Foundations for writing – recap of phase 2 letters and sounds and letter formation. Phase 3 letters and sounds. Write captions and tricky words	Foundations for writing – recap of phase 2 letters and sounds and letter formation. Phase 3 letters and sounds. Write captions and tricky words	Traditional Tales Foundations for writing – phase 3 letters and sounds Captions and simple sentences on a line.	Traditional Tales Foundations for writing – phase 3 letters and sounds Simple sentences on a line.
Year 1	Narrative Recount	Poetry Biography	Narrative	Narrative	Information Text Poetry	Narrative
Year 2	Narrative – traditional tale with a twist Non – chronological report -persuasive letter	Recount– postcard Instructions	Narrative – adventure story Poetry – Humorous poem	Non chronological report	Narrative – story retell Poetry – free verse	Non - chronological report - Information text
Year 3	Narrative Fairy Tale	Poetry	Non-fiction Instruction	Narrative Adventure story	Narrative Humorous	Non-fiction

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						Non-chronological report
Year 3/4	Narrative	Poetry Persuasive writing	Magazine Article	Narrative Adventure story	Letter	Narrative
Year 4	Narrative / Character description	Narrative	Newspaper Report	Narrative	Non-fiction Diary	Playscript
Year 5	Setting description Non-chronological report Persuasive Manifesto Narrative	Newspaper Report Letter (persuasive) Balanced Argument	Setting Description Non-chronological report Diary entry	Poetry Recount Instructions	Playscripts Biography	Narrative Explanation
Year 6	Character Description Non-Chronological report Persuasive	Newspaper Report Letter (persuasive) Balanced Argument	Setting Description Non-chronological report Diary entry	Poetry Recount Instructions	Playscripts Biography	Narrative Explanation