Writing targets for Year 6	Pupil	Teacher
All children should:		
Correctly use capital letters for all uses – start of sentence/proper nouns		
Use full stops, question marks and exclamation marks when needed.		
Use paragraphs to organise ideas		
In narratives, describe:		-
Settings		
Characters		
Atmosphere		
Integrate dialogue to convey character and advance the action		
Select vocabulary and grammatical structures that reflect what the writing re- appropriately e.g.	quires, doin	g this mostly
Select the correct vocabulary and grammar to reflect formal/informal tone:		
contracted forms, slang, technical language, dash.		
Passive verbs to affect how information is presented		
Modal verbs to suggest degrees of possibility		
Use ISPACE to start sentences: -ing, simile, preposition, adverb, conjunction, - ed verb		
Use a wide range of sentence structures: <i>relative clauses, embedded clauses,</i>		
fronted adverbials etc		
Use adverbs, preposition phrases and expanded noun phrases effectively to		
add detail, qualification and precision.		
Use a range of devices to build cohesion within and across paragraphs e.g.:		
Co-ordinating conjunctions (FANBOYS)		
Subordinating conjunctions (ISAWAWABUB)		
Adverbials of time and place		
Pronouns		
Synonyms		
Use verb tenses consistently and correctly throughout		
Use the range of punctuation taught at key stage 2 mostly correctly:		
Commas to mark clauses		
Apostrophes for omission and possession		
Inverted commas for direct speech or quotations		
Brackets, dashes and commas to indicate parenthesis		
Commas for lists		
Semi colon, colon and dash to mark the boundaries between independent		
clauses		
Colons to introduce lists		-
Bullet points		
Hyphens		
Spell correctly all words from the year 3 / year 4 spelling list		
Spell correctly most (80%) words from the year 5 / year 6 spelling list		
Use a dictionary to check the spelling of uncommon or more ambitious		
vocabulary		
Maintain legibility in joined handwriting when writing at speed		

Greater Depth	Pupil	Teacher
Understand that the spoken language is different to the written language and		
choose the correct form for writing.		
Show control over levels of formality – choosing correct grammar and		
vocabulary to show more formal pieces of writing.		
Formal: modal verbs, passive, semi-colon / colon to join independent clauses,		
technical vocabulary		
Informal: question tags, contractions, slang expressions, shift to 2 nd person,		
dash to introduce a thought		
Use the full range of punctuation precisely and to enhance meaning – make		
deliberate choices for effect in your writing.		
Show understanding of a range of types of writing for different audiences and p	ourposes – us	e your
reading as a model for good writing (characterisation, use of language, ideas for	r writing strue	cture)