# HOW YOU CAN HELP WITH PERSONAL WRITING

In personal writing, your child should write a personal letter, story, diary or report about something he or she has done. For example, your child might write a thank you letter or an account about somewhere he or she has visited or something he or she has done or made.

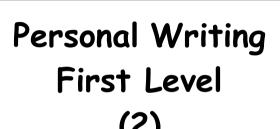
In a personal report, your child could write about a project or topic. They should include their own opinions on the topic e.g. "I think I would like to live in Roman times."

- \* Talk about children's thoughts and feelings
- Encourage children to proofread their writing carefully
- Use plenty of praise and encouragement
- \* Make writing fun. Do some writing together!

# Stow Primary School Helping with Writing

It's good to know how I can help with writing. I can see a real improvement.

Writing together really helps me and I like it when I hear my writing is good.



## Riding My Bike

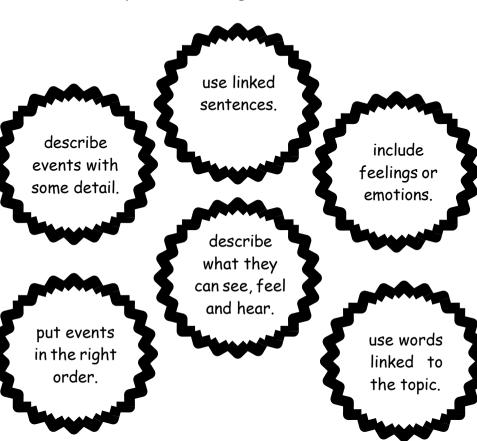
I put on my helmet and took my bike out of the shed. I held my bike still while I got on to it. I cycled my bike out of the garden and down to the bottom of our bumpy road and over the cattle grid. I started to cycle along the main road and I went all the way along it until I came to an open field by a wood. I stopped for a couple of minutes and was I was pleased to see two deer and three foxes then I had a drink. I felt very tired when I turned around but them there was a big hill and I felt very happy to go down the hill. I looked at my watch and it was time for tea so, I stopped by the wood and got my mobile phone out and phoned my Mum to come and pick me up in the car.

Sequence of events

Linked sentences

### Personal Writing

#### In personal writing children learn to:



#### Tools for writing

- \* Use capital letters, full stops and commas correctly.
- \* Use adjectives (describing words) and verbs (action words) to make writing interesting.
- \* Spell familiar words correctly using phonics.
- \* Use joining words e.g. but, then, so, that, because.
- \* Use joined up writing.
- \* Use a dictionary for tricky words.

Feelings

Descriptive

language