



5th January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

This year, we are continuing to concentrate on developing our children's writing skills through new initiatives and ideas.

We were grateful to have received lots of positive feedback on the children's personal writing books which they started last term. We hope the children will continue to use these books to write for pleasure and will try writing for lots of different reasons. Please remind your child that there are lots of ideas inside the front cover if they are stuck in knowing where to start.

Our next initiative is to introduce a school publishing house. We already publish children's writing in our class writing galleries, but would like to transform these into publishing houses so that children can be really proud of their achievements and to give children another purpose when writing.

We would like your child/ren to come up with a name for the school publishing house and also design a logo to go with it. From all of the entries, we will choose a winner from each class and they will receive a small prize. An overall winner will be chosen from these three class winners and their name and logo will be used across the school.

Entries can be made on an A4 piece of paper and will need to be given to your child/ren's class teacher by Monday 23rd January.

Please encourage your child/ren to think about what design and name may suit our school well, e.g. our location/locality, our vision (The Parable of the Mustard Seed), our strapline: Sowing, Growing, Knowing, our class names etc.

I will be talking to the children about this competition and the school publishing house concept on Monday during collective worship.

We look forward to seeing the children's entries and hope this will, once more, give ownership to the children as they become flourishing writers.

If you have any questions, please see your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Kind regards,

Mrs Plowman.