



# Cranford C E Primary School - Writing Unit Medium Term Planning

## Oaks 5/6

**Genre:** Newspaper (Linked to whole school text- Curiosity)

**Duration:** 3 weeks

Explain to the pupils that the reason for this focus is that 50 years ago on 20/7/69 – man first went to the moon!

### SPEAKING & LISTENING ACTIVITIES – Weeks 1,2 & 3

- Talk Partners – during planning activities
- Response to video clips about the mission
- Oral rehearsal of writing
- Working with talk partners to rehearse formal and informal language.

### GRAMMAR, PUNCTUATION & VOCABULARY FOCUS – Weeks 1,2 & 3

- Active/Passive voice
- Formal and informal language
- Complex sentences
- Direct and reported speech

### Reading and Analysis of Text Type – Week 1

*What do we already know about the genre? Key Features. Format, locating information, structure, language used, asking questions, etc.*

- Whole class reading focusing on key features of the text.
- Analysis of headlines- alliteration, puns etc.
- Use of hooks, content imagery of first paragraphs.
- Writing our own orientations- who? what? where? when? and why?
- Analysing what makes a good paragraph- focus on adverbials to develop cohesion

### Planning of our writing – Week 2 & 3

*Drama, storyboards, flow diagrams, story mountains, etc.*

- Plan newspaper report based on the mission of the Mars Roamer- Whole school text- Curiosity
- Develop SC for Newspapers with class
- Practise using formal tone by re-writing informal paragraphs
- Add personal accounts using direct and reported speech- model use of a range of punctuation
- Write first newspaper article focusing on the Roamers journey to space.

### Independent Writing, Evaluation and Reflection – Week 3

*Peer evaluation, Success Criteria, Teacher Assessment, Up-levelling and editing*

- To write series of newspaper articles on the discoveries of the Mars Roamer.
- Use whole class SC to self and peer assess.
- Allow time for editing to maintain correct tone and use of key features.

### COLD WRITE

*This must be completed prior to the planning and delivery of the unit to enable correct pitch and differentiation of lessons, and for relevant content to be delivered.*

**DATE OF COLD WRITE:** 30/09/2019- Newspaper article report on a surprising event at Cranford Primary

### CROSS-CURRICULAR WRITING OPPORTUNITES

- Newspaper reports on the First Moon landing- Science

### Expected outcome

Pupils will write a series of newspaper reports linked to the progress of the Mars Roamer.