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Dear Parents,

Over the next 12 months, we are having a focus on writing throughout the school. We recognise that writing is such an important core skill. We will be working on the children's vocabulary, grammar and punctuation even further, whilst also improving the children's perception and enjoyment of writing at the same time.

We are very excited to announce that we will be following a new writing programme called 'The Write Stuff' by Jane Considine. This is an interactive and fun method that will offer more opportunities for the teaching and learning of writing within the classroom. It has a clear and systematic approach to the writing, providing a step by step framework to give further confidence to all our writers. Key Stage Two parents and children would have already experienced Jane Considine and her online lessons, through remote learning, where we received some great feedback!

As part of this new writing scheme, we would like to seek your views on writing as well the children's. We feel this is essential in order for us to understand how best to meet the children's needs. Therefore, we are asking the Key Stage Two children for their views with a questionnaire.

We have also created a parent survey, which we would be grateful if you would fill in using the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/5GP77K3>

Parental involvement is vital to us, so, as well as the above research methods, we would also like to set up a focus group, with a small group of parents, that would like to trial some Jane Considine writing at home. If you feel you would be willing to take part in this, then please contact me on:

[MrForster@pillowell.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:MrForster@pillowell.gloucs.sch.uk)

I would welcome contact from the parents of children not currently in my class, and of course I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you in advance, for your support

Kind regards,

Chris Forster  
Y5 & Y6 Teacher

Hockney Class

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'B. Stevenson', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Brett Stevenson  
Headteacher