

AVANTI COURT PRIMARY SCHOOL

It's all about Talk—Talk 4 Write!

Welcome to the new termly English newsletter. Keeping you informed of English lessons, teaching pedagogies, clubs events and lots more @ Avanti Court!



We are so excited to announce that Talk for Write will become our teaching pedagogy for writing across the school. Our super teachers have attended professional training in Newham where they have picked up some fantastic ideas to enhance pupil experiences of writing by adding talk, rehearsal, drama, role play, discussion....the list is endless. We can't wait to share work from across Year 2, 3 and 5 in the Spring edition, but for now, to wet your appetites, have a look at what has been achieved so far in years 2 and 3.

What is Talk for Write and Who thought of it?

T4W is an exceptionally effective instructional approach for both oral language and early writing development.

Talk for Writing, developed by **Pie Corbett** supported by Julia Strong, is powerful because it is based on the principles of how we as children learn. **Talk for Writing** enables us to imitate the key language that we need for a particular topic orally before we try reading and analysing it.

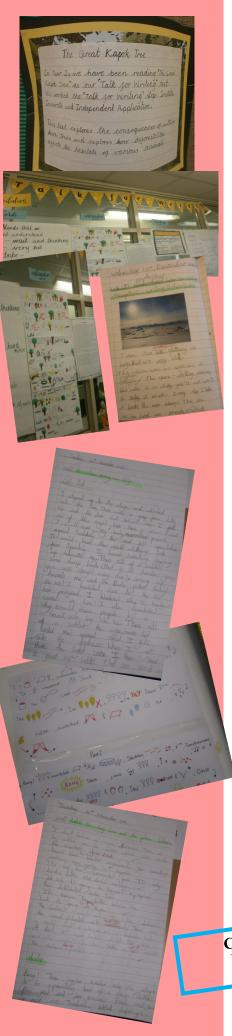
Who is Pie Corbett?

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Pie Corbett is an English educational trainer, writer, author and poet who has written well over two hundred books.

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<u>Year 2</u>

We spoke to Rian and Evani from Harit Class (Yr2) about their T4W learning—they had a lot to say. Rian explained the moral of the story very clearly; 'how to stop the man from cutting the tree down, after which the man realised how beautiful the forest was and did not cut the tree as a resolution.' Evani explained that 'T4W helps them to remember the story really well and gives them not just words to use in their writing but sentences also.' Both Rian and Evani showed us some of the actions that they have learnt as a class—how wonderful!

The Great Kapok Tree

Blistering



<u>Year 3</u>

Children from Year 3 were rehearsing actions from the text: 'Leon and the Place Between'. We interviewed Naithan and Jiya from Purple class. Naithan summarised the story so succinctly that we were totally amazed. Both Naithan and Jiya explained that 'story mapping is a useful tool for all learners as it helps them to visualise the story, then the

actions help to bring the story to life.' Jiya also described how they were introduced to lots of interesting vocabulary which they used to innovate (change) their stories. We can't wait to see the final innovation! Wait for the next edition—Authors: Diya, Nikita and Aanya (Zloto Class Year 6).

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