

KS1 Grammar Terminology

Noun: an object, place or name

Proper noun: a title, person's or place name, days, months (these have a capital letters)

Pronoun: replaces a noun e.g. *she, he, it, her, him*

Plural noun: more than one of a noun e.g. *cats*

Adjective: a describing word, such as colour, shape, texture or size

Verb: a 'doing' word e.g. *run, sing, talk, walk, write*

Adverb: adds more detail to the verb e.g. *running slowly / singing joyfully*

Preposition: shows how a noun relates to other words in the sentence e.g. *on, in, during, between*

Prefix: a group of letters at the start of a word e.g. *disagree*

Suffix: a group of letters at the end of the word e.g. *taller / politeness / calling*

Conjunction: a word which links two words or phrases together e.g. *and, but, so*

Present tense: doing something now e.g. *I talk / I see*

Continuous tense: the 'ing' form of the verb e.g. *I am talking / she is seeing...*

Past tense: a completed action e.g. *I talked / I saw*

Punctuation: generic term for full stops, apostrophes, exclamation marks and question marks etc

St Blaise Primary School



Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

A guide for KS1 Parents

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Dear Parents,

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG) is taught throughout the school and tested nationally in Year Six. Children will be assessed on their ability to recall their knowledge and apply these skills in practise to demonastrate their understanding in these areas so it is vital that we work together to prepare them for this. Quality teaching of SPaG in school and your support with the extension tasks set as homework, will give your child the best possible chance of success.

Your child doesn't just have to be good at writing; they also need a technical understanding of how the English language works, including the correct grammatical terminology appropriate to their year group. Supporting your child with learning SPaG can be challenging so we hope you will find this reference and glossary helpful and keep it to help you support your child with their learning.

Terminology in Year 1

- *Letter*
- *capital letter*
- *word*
- *singular*
- *plural*
- *sentence*
- *punctuation*
- *full stop*
- *question mark*
- *exclamation mark*

Additional Terminology in Year 2

- *Noun*
- *Proper Noun*
- *Pronoun*
- *Noun phrase*
- *statement*
- *question*
- *exclamation*
- *command*
- *compound*
- *suffix*
- *adjective*
- *adverb*
- *verb*
- *tense (past, present)*
- *apostrophe*
- *comma*
- *conjunction*