

What is VCOP?

Your child may come home and tell you that they are using VCOP in their writing at school...but what is it?

Each letter of VCOP stands for an aspect of writing that will help them improve all writing in every subject.

V = Vocabulary (the words they use in their writing)

We call them WOW words! For example: instead of using the word 'nice', we could other more interesting words such as 'beautiful, stunning, fantastic' etc.

C = Connectives (we call them joining words)

These are words we use to make our sentences longer. For example: 'and, because, but, so, when, then'. The words come in the middle of sentences, e.g. 'When I stared out of the window I felt angry because...'

O = Openers (we use these words to open or begin our sentences)

For example: 'I..., My..., When..., First..., Suddenly...' There are many more openers. We encourage the children to use a different opener to start each sentence in their writing

P = Punctuation (the marks we use to help our writing make sense!)

The children begin to use full stops, capital letters, exclamation marks and question marks. We even begin to use commas by the end of Year 2!