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For Parents, Teachers & Health Professionals

Why is writing hard for our primary students and how can we help?

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Term 3 Online Seminar

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Do you have students in your class who struggle to write a complete sentence? Is writing stressful for some of your students, staring at the blank page, rubbing out every word (multiple times) or writing in huge letters to fill up the page?

Writing is one of the most challenging skills to develop as it relies on so many other skills – the ability to speak clearly, memory to recall what is to be written, fine motor skills to write or type it, knowledge of spelling and grammar so it can be understood by others – and that's just for a single sentence! The writing process also takes time – time to plan, to draft, to edit and finally publish - and this can present a challenge for you with a crowded timetable. There are ways to embed short writing and writing preparation activities alongside the great teaching activities you're already providing for your students in the primary classroom.

In this seminar Sam will provide information and strategies to:

- identify the sub-skills needed for writing in the Simple and Not-So Simple Views of Writing
- pinpoint where your students will likely experience difficulties
- include short writing tasks into the school day to build a writing habit
- use common classroom resources to expand writing skills, and
- incorporate technological supports to facilitate writing where needed.

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