At Blessed Sacrament a Reception writer:

- Gives meaning to the marks they make as they draw, write and paint.
- Starts to break down the flow of speech into words.
- Continues a rhyming string.
- Hears and says the initial sound in words.
- Can segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together.
- Links sounds to letters, naming and sounding the letters of the alphabet.
- Uses some clearly identifiable letters to communicate meaning, representing some sounds correctly and in sequence.
- Write own name and some other things, such as labels and captions.
- Attempts to write a short sentence in context.