

# Writing Partners

Impact 2022-23

A Lloyd's funded programme

The Writing Partners programme pairs pupils with volunteers from the world of work, where they exchange letters across a term. The programme helps primary school pupils develop their writing skills, find joy in writing and bond with pen pals from the corporate world.

## Project Reach



242

Volunteers



7

Schools



229

Students



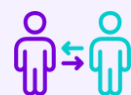
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Companies



12

Cohorts

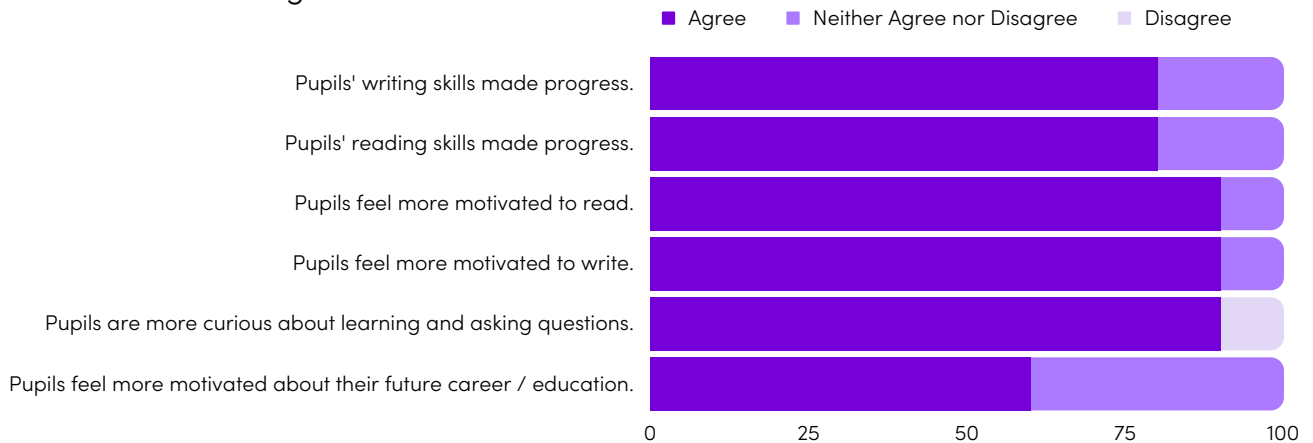


2.5k+

Letters

## Teacher Feedback

As a result of Writing Partners teachers told us...



100% of teachers would recommend Writing Partners to other schools.

On average...

Teachers rated Writing Partners 9 out of 10.



"Children enjoy writing partners and look forward to receiving their letters and thinking about how to respond."

**Writing Partners Teacher, 2022-23**

"The children have really enjoyed the project and more children are keen to participate next term."

**Writing Partners Teacher, 2022-23**

## Volunteer Feedback

88% of volunteers agree that the training supplied by The Switch was clear and useful.

**88% of volunteers agree they have developed their ability to motivate and develop a young person.**

52% of volunteers agree they have developed their communication skills.

**94% of volunteers would volunteer for Writing Partners again.**

99% of volunteers would recommend Writing Partners to a colleague.

"It was really great to help a young person develop their ambitions and understanding of working life, as well as their reading and writing skills. I really appreciated the opportunity to put myself in the shoes of a pupil from the local community. The experience was incredibly rewarding and often the highlight of my day."

**Howden Group Volunteer, 2022-23**

"It was so wonderful to hear from the child at each letter and to build a rapport with them even though you had never met or knew what each other looked like. I really looked forward to receiving the letters and reading what they had written. I also enjoyed taking the time to write back to them and sharing my own experiences."

**Lloyd's Volunteer, 2022-23**

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