

Handwriting Progression by Year Group

Reception	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Learn pre-handwriting patterns• Begin lower-case print formation• Begin numbers 0-9 formation• Begin capital letter formation• Begin to sit correctly• Develop hand dominance• Develop pencil grip• Develop paper tilt skills
Year 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop lower-case print formation• Develop capital letter formation• Develop numbers and symbols formation• Sit correctly• Tripod pencil grip• Tilt paper• Begin lower case cursive formation
Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop lower case formation• Refine capital letter formation• Refine numbers and symbols formation• Begin cursive joins• Revisit sitting correctly• Revisit tripod pencil grip• Revisit paper tilt
Year 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Refine lower case cursive formation• Refine capital letter formation• Refine numbers and symbols formation• Develop cursive joins• Revisit sitting correctly• Revisit tripod pencil grip

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Revisit paper tilt• Begin speed and fluidity skills
Year 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Refine cursive joins• Develop speed and fluidity skills
Year 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Refine speed and fluidity skills
Year 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Refine speed and fluidity skills