

Handwriting – this is our new approach and is being embedded during 2023.

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<p>Children handle equipment and tools effectively, including pencils for writing.</p> <p>Children write in pre-cursive</p> <p>Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed</p>	<p>Sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably and correctly</p> <p>Begin to form lower-case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place</p> <p>Form capital letters</p> <p>Understand which letters belong to which handwriting 'families' and to practise these</p>	<p>Form lower-case letters of the correct size relative to one another</p> <p>Start using some of the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined</p> <p>Write capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower-case letters.</p> <p>Use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters.</p>	<p>Use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined.</p> <p>Increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting</p>		<p>Choosing which shape of a letter to use when given choices and deciding whether or not to join specific letters</p> <p>Choosing the writing implement that is best suited for a task</p>	