

Long Term Plan Overview

Subject: Handwriting Curriculum Team: 1

Handwriting is taught "stage not age" and so this overview is adapted and used to suit the needs of the children

	Autumn	Spring	Summer
Reception	Focus on development of Fine Motor skills activities: egdough disco/cutting & sticking etc Penpals Foundations warm up exercises developing gross and fine motor skills.	Introduce: Len's Long Ladder Letters 1 Curly Cal Letters Len's Long Ladder Letters 2 Zippy Zig Zag Letters Uppercase letter in child's name, T & I	Practise: Len's Long Ladder Letters 1 Curly Cal Letters Len's Long Ladder Letters 2 Zippy Zig Zag Letters Uppercase letters in child's name, T & I
Year 1	Repeat & Consolidate: Len's Long Ladder Letters 1 Curly Cal Letters Uppercase letters in child's name, T & I	Repeat & Consolidate: Len's Long Ladder Letters 2 Zippy Zig Zag Letters Introduce additional uppercase letters	Repeat & Consolidate: any tricky letters Introduce any remaining uppercase letters
Year 2	Consolidate: Len's Long Ladder Letters 1 Curly Cal Letters Len's Long Ladder Letters 2 Zippy Zig Zag Letters All uppercase letter formation	Begin to introduce joins through PenPals Y1 Scheme of work (When letter formation secure) Year 1 Spring Term Units 11-20	Year 1 Summer Term Units 21-30
Year 3	Year 2 Units 1-10 How to join in a word: high frequency words	Year 2 Units 11-20 Practising diagonal join to r: ir, ur, er	Year 2 Units 21-30 Practising diagonal join to an anticlockwise letter: ea, ear

	Introducing the break letters: j,g,x,y,z,b,f,p, r, s Practising diagonal join to ascenders: eel, eet Practising diagonal join, no ascender: a_e Practising diagonal join, no ascender, anticlockwise: ice, ide Practising horizontal join, no ascender: ow, ou oy, oi Practising diagonal join, no ascender, anticlockwise: oa, ode Practising diagonal join to	Practising horizontal join to r: or, oor Introducing horizontal join from r to ascender: url, irl, irt Introducing horizontal join from r: ere Practising joining to and from r: air Introducing diagonal join to s: dis Introducing horizontal join to s: ws Introducing diagonal join from s to ascender: sh Introducing diagonal join from s, no ascender: si, se, sp Introducing horizontal join from	Introducing horizontal join to and from f to ascender: ft, fl Introducing horizontal join from f, no ascender: fu, fr Introducing: qu rr ss ff Capital letter practice: height of ascenders and capitals Assessment
Year 4	ole, obe ook, ool Year 3 Units 1-10 Revising joins in a word: long vowel phonemes le ing high frequency words new vocabulary un, de	Year 3 Units 11-20 Introducing joining b and p: bi, pu Practising joining b and p: ba, po Practising joining b and p: bl, ph Relative sizes of letters: silent	Year 3 Units 21-30 Consistency in spacing: mis, anti, ex non, co apostrophes Layout, speed and fluency practise: Address Dialogue

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	Revising joins to and from r: re, pre Revising joins to and from f: ff Revising joins: qu	Parallel ascenders: high frequency words Parallel descenders: adding y to words Relative sizes and consistency: ly, less, ful Relative sizes and consistency: capitals Speed and fluency practise: er, est Speed and fluency practise: opposites	Handwriting style Assessment Handwriting style
Year 5	Year 4 Units 1-10 Revising joins in a word: ness, ship ing, ed s ify nn, mm, ss Revising parallel ascenders: tt, ll, bb Revising parallel ascenders and descenders: pp, ff Revising joins to an anticlockwise letter: cc, dd Revising break letters: alphabetical order Linking spelling and handwriting: related words	Year 4 Units 11-20 Introducing sloped writing Parallel ascenders: al, ad, af Parallel descenders and break letters: ight, ough Size, proportion and spacing: oius able, ful fs, ves Speed and fluency: abbreviations for notes notemaking drafting lists	Year 4 Units 21-30 Size, proportion and spacing: v, k ic, ist ion contractions Speed and fluency: ible, able diminutives Print alphabet Print capitals Assessment Presentation skills: font styles

Year 6	Year 5/6 Basics Unit 1-16	Year 5/6 Basics Unit 17-26	Year 5/6 Presentation Unit 27-32
	Letter formation:	Letter size:	Writing for different purposes: note-
	L family, r family, c family, z	Consistency of lower case	making, fast and fluent,
	family, L family, R family, C	letters	presentation
	family, Z family	Comparison of lower case	Lettering styles: capital letters
	Letter formation at speed:	letters with and without	Labelling: print alphabet
	inappropriate closing or not	ascenders and descenders	Labelling: diagrams Pattern making:
	closing	Comparison of lower case	geometric patterns
	Number formation: numbers 0	letters and capital letters	Pattern making: symbols and maps
	to 9	Letter orientation:	
	Joining:	writing letters on the baseline	
	Diagonal joins	ascenders and descenders	
	Horizontal joins	Spacing:	
	Tricky joins	between letters	
	Joining at speed:	between words	
	inappropriate closing or not	Parallels:	
	closing	Upright ascenders and	
	variations on f, g, s, t, y	descenders	
	variations on j, v, w, x, z	Sloping ascenders and	
		descenders	
		Self-assessment: handwriting	
		check-list	