

## Handwriting Overview EYFS & KS1

### HANDWRITING

EYFS	N	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ PD: Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils.</li> <li>▪ Show a preference for a dominant hand.</li> <li>▪ L: Write some letters accurately.</li> </ul> <p><i>Autumn term: Developing pencil grip and practising first letter of name.</i></p> <p><i>Spring term: Practising name. When ready, beginning to learn letters in Read Write Inc. order: m a s d t i n p g o c k u b f e l h r j v y w z q x.</i></p> <p><i>Summer term: When ready, beginning to learn letters in Read Write Inc. order: m a s d t i n p g o c k u b f e l h r j v y w z q x.</i></p>
	R	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ PD: Use core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table.</li> <li>▪ Use pencils confidently, safely &amp; competently in a tripod grip.</li> <li>▪ Develop the foundations of a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient.</li> <li>▪ L: form lowercase &amp; capital letters correctly.</li> <li>▪ Write recognisable letters.</li> </ul> <p><i>Autumn term: Learning letters in Read Write Inc. order: m a s d t i n p g o c k u b f e l h r j v y w z q x.</i></p> <p><i>Spring term: Learning letters in Read Write Inc. order: m a s d t i n p g o c k u b f e l h r j v y w z q x.</i></p> <p><i>Summer term: Learning letter families as below – long ladder letters, one-armed robot letters, curly caterpillar letters, zig-zag monster letters.</i></p> <p><u>'Penpals' Units:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ introducing long ladder letters: l i t u j y</li> <li>▪ l i</li> <li>▪ t u</li> <li>▪ j y</li> <li>▪ practising all long ladder letters</li> <li>▪ introducing one-armed robot letters r b n h m k p</li> <li>▪ b n</li> <li>▪ h m</li> <li>▪ k p</li> <li>▪ practising all one-armed robot letters</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ introducing capital letters for one-armed robot letters</li> <li>▪ introducing capital letters for long ladder letters</li> <li>▪ introducing curly caterpillar letters <i>c a d o s g q e f</i></li> <li>▪ <i>a d</i></li> <li>▪ <i>o s</i></li> <li>▪ <i>g q</i></li> <li>▪ <i>e f</i></li> <li>▪ practising all curly caterpillar letters</li> <li>▪ introducing zig-zag monster letters <i>z v w x</i></li> <li>▪ <i>v w x</i></li> <li>▪ introducing capital letters for curly caterpillar letters</li> <li>▪ introducing capital letters for zig zag monster letters</li> <li>▪ exploring <i>ch th sh</i></li> </ul>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">KSI</p>	<p>Y1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably and correctly.</li> <li>▪ Begin to form lower-case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place.</li> <li>▪ Form capital letters.</li> <li>▪ Form digits 0-9.</li> <li>▪ Understand which letters belong to which handwriting 'families' (i.e. letters that are formed in similar ways).</li> <li>▪ Form letters correctly and confidently.</li> </ul> <p>Autumn term: Learning letter families as below – long ladder letters, one-armed robot letters, curly caterpillar letters, zig-zag monster letters.</p> <p>Spring term: Learning letter families as below – long ladder letters, one-armed robot letters, curly caterpillar letters, zig-zag monster letters.</p> <p>Summer term: Beginning to join if ready – as below.</p> <p><u>'Penpals' Units:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ letter formation practice: long ladder family <i>l i t u j y</i></li> <li>▪ letter formation practice: one-armed robot family <i>r b n h m k p</i></li> <li>▪ letter formation practice: curly caterpillar family <i>c a d o s g q e f</i></li> <li>▪ letter formation practice: zig zag monster family <i>z v w x</i></li> <li>▪ practising vowels: <i>i</i></li> <li>▪ practising vowels: <i>u</i></li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ practising vowels: a</li> <li>▪ practising vowels: o</li> <li>▪ practising vowels: e</li> <li>▪ letter formation practice: capital letters</li> <li>▪ introduce diagonal join to ascender: at, all</li> <li>▪ diagonal join to ascender: th</li> <li>▪ diagonal join to ascender: ch</li> <li>▪ diagonal join to ascender: cl</li> <li>▪ introduce diagonal join, no ascender: in, im</li> <li>▪ diagonal join, no ascender: cr, tr, dr</li> <li>▪ diagonal join, no ascender: lp, mp</li> <li>▪ introduce diagonal join to an anti-clockwise letter: id, ig</li> <li>▪ diagonal join to an anti-clockwise letter: nd, ld</li> <li>▪ diagonal join to an anti-clockwise letter: ng</li> <li>▪ diagonal join, no ascender: ee</li> <li>▪ diagonal join, no ascender: ai, ay</li> <li>▪ diagonal join, no ascender: ime, ine</li> <li>▪ introduce horizontal join, no ascender: op, oy</li> <li>▪ horizontal join, no ascender: one, ome</li> <li>▪ horizontal join to anti-clockwise letter: oa, og</li> <li>▪ horizontal join to anti-clockwise letter: wa, wo</li> <li>▪ introduce horizontal join to ascender: ol, ot</li> <li>▪ horizontal join to ascender: wh, oh</li> <li>▪ introduce joins to anti-clockwise letters with ascenders: of, if</li> </ul>
Y2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Form lower-case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place.</li> <li>▪ Form lower-case letters of the correct size relative to one another.</li> <li>▪ Write capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower case letters.</li> <li>▪ Use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters.</li> <li>▪ 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 un-joined.</li> <li>▪ Revise and practise correct letter formation.</li> </ul> <p><i>Autumn term: Revising letter formation. Beginning to join s refer to Year 1 units first if necessary and then follow the outline below.</i></p>

*Spring term: Beginning to join s refer to Year 1 units first if necessary and then follow the outline below.*

*Summer term: Beginning to join s refer to Year 1 units first if necessary and then follow the outline below.*

'Penpals' Units:

- diagonal join to ascender: eel, eet
- diagonal join, no ascender: aze
- diagonal join, no ascender, anti-clockwise: ice, ide
- horizontal join, no ascender: ow, ou
- horizontal join, no ascender: oy, oi
- horizontal join, no ascender, anti-clockwise: oa, ode
- horizontal join to ascender: ole, obe
- horizontal join to ascender: ook, oot
- diagonal join to r: ir, ur, er
- horizontal join to r: or, oor
- introduce horizontal join from r to ascender: url, irl, irt
- introduce horizontal join r: ere
- joining to and from r: air
- introduce diagonal join to s: dis
- introduce horizontal join to s: ws
- introduce diagonal join from s to ascender: sh
- introduce diagonal join from s, no ascender: si, se, sp
- introduce horizontal join from r, anti-clockwise: rs
- diagonal join to an anti-clockwise letter: ea, ear
- introduce horizontal join to and from ascender: ft, fl
- introduce horizontal join from f, no ascender: fu, fr
- introduce qu
- introduce rr
- introduce ss
- introduce ff