

WRITING:HANDWRITING: Nelson Handwriting Scheme

Reception and ELG	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
	Sit correctly at table, holding pencil comfortably and correctly.					
	Begin to form <b>lower-case</b> letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place.	Form <b>lower-case</b> letters of the correct size relative to one another.				
		Start using some of the diagonal & horizontal strokes needed to <b>join letters</b> and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined.	Use the diagonal & horizontal strokes needed to <b>join letters</b> and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left un-joined.			
	Form <b>capital letters</b> .	Write <b>capitals</b> of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower case letters.				
		Use <b>spacing</b> between words that reflects the size of the letters.				
	Form <b>digits 0 - 9</b>	Write <b>digits</b> of the correct size and orientation.				
	Understand which letters belong to which handwriting ' <b>families</b> ' and practise these.					
			Increase the <b>legibility, consistency</b> and <b>quality</b> of handwriting, e.g. by ensuring that down strokes of the letters are parallel and equidistant; that lines of writing are spaced sufficiently so that the ascenders and descenders of letters do not touch.	Write <b>legibly, fluently</b> with increasing <b>speed by:</b> Choosing which shape of letter to use when given choices and deciding whether or not to join specific letters. Choosing the writing implement that is best suited for the task.		