

KS1 Handwriting

Year 1

Terms 1&2 – Recap printed letter formations practically (using ribbons, chinks, writing in the air), on whiteboards and on wide lines. Teaching clear ascenders, descenders and sensible size of letters.

Terms 3&4 - Introduce cursive letter formations for those children who have secured the correct printed letter formation. Have a few letters to focus on for the whole week, e.g c, a and o.

Terms 5&6 – Repeat above and link to formation of capital letters.

Year 2

Term 1 and 2 – Recap cursive letter formations, both practically and in handwriting books. Recap ascenders, descenders and sensible size of letters. Introduce the joining of letters focusing on families of letters - practical, on whiteboards and on lines. Teaching clear ascenders, descenders and sensible size of letters.

Term 3 and 4 – Furthering the teaching of joining letters focusing on families of letters. For those children who have secured the correct joins, link teaching of handwriting to the teaching of core spellings.

Term 5 and 6 - Link teaching of handwriting to teaching of core spellings.