



Misterton Primary and Nursery School – Progression in Handwriting



Key Area	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Handwriting	Know how to write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed. Know how to form lower-case and capital letters correctly. <i>Know how to hold pencil correctly with pincer grip.</i>	Know how to form letters: • sit correctly at a table, holding a pencil comfortably and correctly • begin to form lower-case letters in the correct direction, starting and finishing in the right place • form capital letters • form digits 0-9 • understand which letters belong to which handwriting ‘families’ and to practise these • write letters on the lines <i>Know how to hold pencil correctly with pincer grip.</i>	Know how to form letters: • form lower-case letters of the correct size relative to one another • use the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left not joined • write capital letters (not joined) and of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower-case letters • use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters <i>Know how to hold pencil correctly with pincer grip.</i>	Know how to form letters: • use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left not joined • increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting <i>Know how to hold pencil/pen correctly with pincer grip.</i>	Know how to form letters: • use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left not joined • increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting <i>Know how to hold pencil/pen correctly with pincer grip.</i>	Write legibly, fluently and with increasing speed by: • choose which shape of a letter to use when given choices and deciding whether or not to join specific letters • choose the writing implement that is best suited for a task <i>Know how to hold pencil/pen correctly with pincer grip.</i>	Write legibly, fluently and with increasing speed by: • choose which shape of a letter to use when given choices and deciding whether or not to join specific letters • choose the writing implement that is best suited for a task <i>Know how to hold pencil/pen correctly with pincer grip.</i>