

Handwriting Skills Progression



Whole School Handwriting Examples		
Year Group	Handwriting Example	Handwriting Name
Early Years	the big dog	Letter-join Air
Year 1	the big dog	Letter-join Air
Year 2	the big dog the big dog	Letter-join Air Letter-join plus
Year 3	the big dog	Letter-join plus
Year 4	the big dog	Letter-join plus
Year 5	the big dog	Letter-join plus
Year 6	the big dog	Letter-join plus

Children at St Gregory's try their best to:

Sit their letters on the line

Use appropriate finger spaces

Use joined font from Y3 and above

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Skills progression		
Age	Lesson	Activities
EYFS	Introducing pre-cursive patterns	Circles and spirals Lines and diagonals Jellies and Zigzags Loopies and waves
	Introducing numbers	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
	RWI Set 1 - Speed sounds	m a s d t i n p g o c k u b f e l h s h r j v y w t h z c h q u x n g n k
Key Stage 1	RWI Set 2 - Speed sounds	ay ee igh ow oo oo or ar air ir ou oy
	RWI Set 3	ea oi a -e i-e ai o-a o-e ue aw are ur er ow ew ire ear ure
	Capital letters	A, B, C, D, E F, G, H, I, J K, L, M, N, O P, Q, R, S, T U, V, W, X, Y, Z

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Key Stage 1	Spellings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> >High frequency words >Year 1 & 2 spelling list >Words containing each of the 40+ phonemes already taught >Common exception words <ul style="list-style-type: none"> >Days of the week > Months of the Year
	Double letters	bb / cc / dd / ee / ff gg / ll / mm / nn / oo pp / rr / ss / tt / zz
Key Stage 2	Spelling, grammar and punctuation	Spelling, grammar and punctuation activities linked to national curriculum objectives
	Spellings	Year 3 & 4 spelling list
	Spellings	Year 5 & 6 spelling list

Getting reading for handwriting:

1. Handwriting warm up exercises, handwriting posture and grip
2. Gross motor skills
3. Fine motor skills
4. Pencil grip
5. Sitting position and correct paper position.