At Valley we teach the children to form their letters using the Nelson Handwriting scheme.

Reception and Year 1 teach the pre-cursive script. The children are taught the skills of starting the letters in the right place, forming them in the right direction and sitting them correctly on the line.

Year 2 introduce how the letters are joined (cursive script). This continues to be taught in Year 3, then consolidated throughout KS2.

**Pre-cursive**

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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| **Ascenders (tall letters)**b d f h k l t | **Descenders (go below the line)**f g j p q y |

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

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9