



# Curriculum Intent

# Handwriting

## Intent:

At Zouch Academy, our handwriting curriculum aims to equip all pupils with the ability to write fluently and legibly, using a cursive style (taught through letterjoin). Writing is a necessary life skill for all of our pupils and we believe that neat, well-presented handwriting and presentation can raise self-esteem and enable children to feel positive and proud of their work. Furthermore, placing this value on the teaching of handwriting will develop automaticity in our children, thus allowing them to develop creativity within their writing, unhindered by the mechanics. Lessons are progressive and well-sequenced throughout the school using the letterjoin planning; teachers also use formative assessment to address class misconceptions where necessary. We recognise that some children will need to build upon their fine motor skills in order to achieve the aforementioned and where children have mastered a cursive style, challenge must be in place to allow these children to develop further such as acquiring the skill of writing at speed and the ability to dictate.