

St Richard Reynolds Catholic Primary School Handwriting Skills and Knowledge Progression

	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Autumn 1	Learn all letters of the alphabet a-z quickly Writing own first name	1 armed robot letters-b,h,m,n,p,r, Revise lower/upper case and orientate on four lines Writing own name including surname	Review and consolidate letter formation of four groups in both upper and lower cases One-armed robot letters- b,h,m,n,p,r Curly caterpillar letters- a,c,d,e,f,g,o,q,s Long ladder letters- i,j,t,l,u,y Zig-zag letters- k,v,w,x,z <i>One group per lesson</i> Writing full name orientated correctly on four lines Digits 0-9	Review and consolidate letter formation of four groups in both upper and lower cases. (1 armed robot lettersb,h,m,n,p,r/ Curly caterpillar letters- a c d,e,f,g,o,q,s/ Long ladder letters- i,j,t,l,u,y/ Zig-zag letters-k,v,w,x,zOne group per lesson	Revise letter formation a-z both upper and lower case. Troubleshooting any handwriting issues- revise any commonly mis-formed letters both upper and lower case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Continue to consolidate consistency in size, proportion, fluency and spacing between letters and words. -Revise all rules for joining. -Develop fluency and speed so that problems with forming letters do not get in the way of their writing down what they want to say. -Use joined handwriting for all writing except where other special forms are required. - Know when to use an un-joined style, for example, for labelling a diagram or data, writing an email address, or for algebra and capital letters, for example, for filling in a form. Know when to use: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -a clear, neat hand for finished, presented work. -informal writing for everyday informal work, rough drafting etc. Write legibly, fluently and with increasing speed by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -choosing which shape of a letter to use when given choices and deciding, as part of their personal style, whether or not to join specific letters. -choosing the writing implement that is best suited for a task (e.g. quick notes, letters). 	
Autumn 2	1 armed robot letters-b,h,m,n,p,r, (lower and upper case)	Curly caterpillar letters- a c d,e,f,g,o,q,s, (lower and upper case) and orientate on four lines Digits 0-9	Diagonal joins to letters without ascenders: ai, ar,er,ur,ng un, an	Diagonal joins to letters without ascenders: au, ue, aw,ie,ir,ew	Revision of diagonal joins to letters without ascenders using any examples, e.g. ai, ar, un;		
Spring 1	Curly caterpillar letters- a c d,e,f,g,o,q,s, (lower and upper case)	Long ladder letters -i,j,t,l,u,y (lower and upper case) and orientate on four lines	horizontal joins to letters without ascenders: oo,or,ow,oa ou, oi,	horizontal joins to letters without ascenders: vi, wi, oy, wa, wo,we	Revision of horizontal joins to letters without ascenders, e.g. ou, vi using any examples Joining on from letter p- pa,pr,pe,pi Joining on from letter b- ba,be,bi,bo,bu		
Spring 2	Long ladder letters -i,j,t,l,u,y (lower and upper case) Zigzag letters-k,v,w,x,z (upper and lower case)	Zig-zag letters-k,v,w,x,z (upper and lower case) and orientate on four lines	diagonal joins to letters with ascenders: ch,sh,th,ph,ck,ab, ul,	diagonal joins to letters with ascenders: it, ab, ad, al, at, cl, ct, et,	Revision of diagonal joins to letters with ascenders, e.g. ab, ul, it using any examples		
Summer 1	Zig-zag letters-k,v,w,x,z (upper and lower case)	Phase 3 graphemes: ch, sh th ng ai ee ih oa oo (join grapheme together)	horizontal joins to letters with ascenders: ol, wh, ot,ob,od,	horizontal joins to letters with ascenders: ol, wh, ot, ob,od Practice not joining up after the letter q	Revision of horizontal joins to letters with ascenders, e.g. ol, wh, ot using any examples		
Summer 2	Revise all letters upper case- orientate on 4 lines	Phase 3 graphemes: ar or ur ow oi ear air ure er (join grapheme together)	Revision and practice of any of the above	Joining to other letters from letters with a descender fl,fr,fa,gr,gl,ya,ye,yo yu	Joining on from letter p- pa,pr,pe,pi Joining on from letter b- ba,be,bi,bo,bu understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left un-joined.		