

Handwriting Formation

Our phonics scheme has picture flashcards to help the children to learn the sounds. They also support with handwriting by giving a description of how to form the letters, using the picture as a stimulus.

Here are the descriptions that we use in school which you could use with your child at home.

a (apple) - Round the apple and down the leaf

b (boot) - Down the laces to the heel, round the toe

c (caterpillar) - Curl around the caterpillar

d (dinosaur) - Round his back, under his bottom, up his tall neck and down to his feet

e (egg) - Lift off the top and scoop out the egg

f (flower) - Down the stem and draw the leaves

g (girl) - Round her face, down her hair and give her a curl

h (horse) - Down the head to the hooves and over his back

i (insect) - Down the body, dot for the head

j (jack-in-the-box) - Down his body, curl and dot

k (kangaroo) - Down the kangaroo's body, tail and leg

l (leg) - Down the long leg

m (Maisie in the mountains) - Maisie, mountain, mountain

n (goalkeeper in the net) - Down Nobby, over his net

o (orange) - All around the orange

p (pirate) - Down the plait and over the pirates face

q (queen) - Round her head, up past her earrings and down her hair

r (robot) - Down his back then curl over his arm

s (snake) - Slither down the snake

t (tower) - Down the tower, across the tower

u (umbrella) - Down and under, up to the top and draw the puddle

v (vulture) - Down a wing, up a wing

w (worm) - Down, up, down, up

x (x-x-x-exercise) - Down the arm and leg and repeat the other side

y (yak) - Down a horn up a horn and under his head

z (zip) - Zig-zag-zig