

Handwriting at Oakhurst

Children must be able to write with ease, speed and legibility. If they have difficulty, this will limit fluency and inhibit the quality and quantity of their work. Cursive handwriting teaches pupils to join letters and words as a series of flowing movements and patterns.

The style is quick and easy to learn, particularly when it is practised from an early stage. Pupils will learn to form individual letters appropriately and accurately first and

then by term 4 of Year 1, pupils will begin to join their

handwriting.

We use a font called Boring Boring or HfW. The font is widely used in primary schools as it promotes a neat and accurate cursive script.

Letter formation guide

Please note, ALL letters start at the bottom

m - and up Maisie mountain mountain

a - and round the apple, down the leaf

s - and slither round the snake

d - and round his back and up his neck and down to his feet

t - and down the tower, across the tower

i - and down the insect body, dot for the head

n - and down Nobby and over his net

p - and down the plait, up and over the pirate's face

g - and round the girl's face, down her hair and give her a curl

o - and all around the orange

c - and curl around the caterpillar

k - and down the kangaroo's body, round his tail and down his leg

u - and down and under the umbrella, up to the top and down to the puddle

b - and down the laces, over the toe and touch the heel

f - and down the stem and draw the leaves and around the roots

e - and slice into the egg, go over the top then under the egg

l - and down the long leg

r - and down the robot's back, then up and curl

j - and down his body, curl and dot

w - and down a wing, up a wing

y - and down a horn, up a horn and under the yak's head

w - and down, up, down, up the worm

z - and zig-zag-zig down the zip

q - and round the queen's head, up to her crown, down her hair and flick

x - and cross down the arm and leg and cross the other way

Skills:

- Letters which finish at the top join horizontally
- Letters which finish at the bottom join diagonally
- Never join from a capital letter

Family patterns

c a d g o q
r n m h b k p
i l t u y j
v w x
s z e f