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| N | Use large muscle movements to wave flags and streamers, paint and make marks. <br> To enhance gross motor skills through air writing, patternmaking and physical activities <br> Shows a preference for dominant hand. <br> Start to use one-handed tools and equipment, for example, making snips in paper with scissors. | Continue to use one-handed tools and equipment, for example, making snips in paper with scissors. <br> Begin to develop fine motor skills such as mark making on paper, whiteboards, sensory trays, iPads, tablets etc. <br> Form initial capital letter for name on paper, whiteboards, sensory trays, iPads, tablets etc. <br> Use some of their print and letter knowledge in their early writing. For example. Writing a pretend shopping list that starts at the top of the page; write ' $m$ ' for mummy. | Continue to develop fine motor skills such as mark making on paper, whiteboards, sensory trays, iPads, tablets etc. <br> Become familiar with letter shapes, their sounds, formation and vocabulary. <br> Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils. <br> Begin to write some or all of their name, with adult support. <br> Begin to write some letter accurately, with adult support. <br> Begin to use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor. |
| R | Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently, using; pencils for drawing and writing, paintbrushes, scissors, knives, forks and spoons. <br> Continue to use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor. <br> Form lower case and capital letters correctly, with flicks. <br> Continue to write some or all of their name, independently. | Develop the foundations of a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient. <br> Continue to form lower case and capital letters correctly, with flicks. <br> Continue to write some or all of their name, with the correct orientation, size and on the line. <br> Begin to form capital letters correctly. <br> Begin to form digits 0-9 correctly | Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing using the tripod grip in almost all cases. <br> Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed. <br> Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others. <br> Securely write some or all of their name, with the correct orientation, size and on the line. <br> Continue to form capital letters correctly. <br> Begin to form digits 0-9 correctly |


| 1 | Continue to form capital letters correctly. <br> Continue to form cursive lower-case letters with flicks and begin to introduce lead in of letters, where applicable. <br> Continue to form digits 0-9 correctly <br> Begin to understand which letters belong to which handwriting 'families' (i.e. letters that are formed in similar ways) and to practise these | Continue to form capital letters correctly. <br> Continue to introduce lead in of letters for children if they are being formed correctly. <br> Continue to form digits 0-9 correctly <br> Continue to understand which letters belong to which handwriting 'families' (i.e. letters that are formed in similar ways) and to practise these | Securely form capital letters correctly. <br> Securely form lead in of letters for children if they are being formed correctly. <br> Securely form digits 0-9 correctly <br> Securely understand which letters belong to which handwriting 'families' (i.e. letters that are formed i similar ways) and to practise these |
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| 2 | Begin to join letters correctly. <br> Begin to write capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower case letters <br> Begin to use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters | Continue to join letters correctly. <br> Continue to write capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower case letters <br> Continue to use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters | Begin to write sentences in a joining style that has increased in accuracy and presentation. <br> Begin to use some of the diagonal and horizontal strokes needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left un-joined <br> Securely write capital letters and digits of the correct size, orientation and relationship to one another and to lower case letters <br> Securely use spacing between words that reflects the size of the letters |
| 3 | Continue to write sentences in a joining style that has increased in accuracy and presentation. <br> Begin to use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined | Securely write sentences in joined writing using pencil. <br> Continue to use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined <br> Increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting, e.g. by ensuring that the downstrokes of letters are parallel and equidistant; that lines of writing are spaced sufficiently so that the ascenders and descenders of letters do not touch |  |
| 4 | Securely write sentences in joined writing using pencil and pen. <br> Securely use the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters and understand which letters, when adjacent to one another, are best left unjoined <br> Increase the legibility, consistency and quality of their handwriting, e.g. by ensuring that the downstrokes of letters are parallel and equidistant; that lines of writing are spaced |  |  |

$5 \quad$ Securely write sentences in joined writing using pen.
Write legibly, fluently and with increasing speed by:
-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

6 Securely write sentences in joined writing using pen.

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-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
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