



Highwoods Handwriting Teaching Sequence

EYFS and Year 1	Letter formation taught according to RWI
Year 2 and Year 3	Introduction of the four handwriting joins: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• First join: un um ig id ed eg an or ing ung• Second join: ch sh th tl ll ill sli slu ck ack st sti ink unk• Third join: od pg re ve oon oom• Fourth join: wl vl of ff fl flo• Practise the loop letters: g y j f• Practise more difficult joins: b, p, q, z• Practise capital letters
Year 3 and Year 4	Revision: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Loop letters: g y j f• Difficult joins: b, p, q, z Further practise of the four handwriting joins: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• in ine



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- ut ute
- ve vi
- ok oh
- sh as es (practising two ways of joining the letter s)
- ri ru ry (practising joining from the letter r)
- oa ad as (practising joining to and from the letter a)
- ee ea ed (practising joining from the letter e)
- ow ov ox (practising joining from the letter o)
- ky hy ly (practising joining to the letter y)
- ha ta fa (practising joining to the letter a)
- od oo og (practising joining from the letter o)
- er ir ur (practising joining to the letter r)
- ai al ay
- you oi
- re oe fe (practising the horizontal join to the letter e)
- wu vu (practising the horizontal join to the letter u)
- ot ol ok (practising joining to ascenders)
- ai al ow ol (practising all the joins)
- ja, je, ji, jo, ju, (practising loop from j)
- gy, gi, ga, ge, go, gr, gh (practising loop from g)



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• yo, ya, ye, yu, yi (practising loop from y)
Year 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ning ping ting• oc od oo• ake ome are• fla flo fle• who wha whe• ie in il• inly ky ny• ap ar an• ick uck ack• he• we• re• fte fir fin• wra wri kni (silent letters)• ii ll tt rr nn mm cc oo dd ss ff ee• ew ev ex (spacing)• th ht fl (proportions)



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ac ag af• Capital letters• Decorated capital letters• Practising with punctuation ! ? - " " , '
Year 5 and Year 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Practising leaving an equal space between letters• Practising joining to the letter y• Practising using a horizontal joining line• Practising joining from the letter i• Practising joining to and from the letter v• Practising consistency in forming and joining letters• Practise speedwriting• Practising crossing double tt on completing the word• Practising joining to and from the letter e• Practising joining to and from the letter w• Practising drafting and editing• Practising joining to the letter t <p>Practise loop joins</p>



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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ensuring letters are consistent in height and size• Practising with punctuation• Practising joining from the letter m• Ensuring the ascender on the letter t is the correct height• Developing fluency• Practising printing• Practising forming and joining the letter f• Practising presentation• Looking at different handwriting styles |
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