

Writing

at Normanton Common
Primary Academy

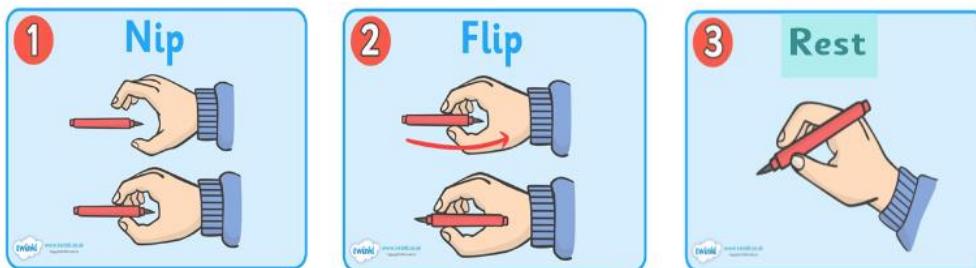


Writing in the Early Years

Handwriting

Children need to develop gross motor skills and control before writing can develop. We provide space to try out movements on a grand scale and opportunities to play with tools and explore mark making. This develops their muscles ready for writing. We provide plenty of opportunities to practice fine motor skills and develop strength in children's hands. For example scissor cutting, playdough and Lego. These activities improve children's dexterity and enable them to grip and control the pencil more effectively for writing.

Children will be taught to pick up their pencil ready to write using the nip, flip, rest, best rhyme.



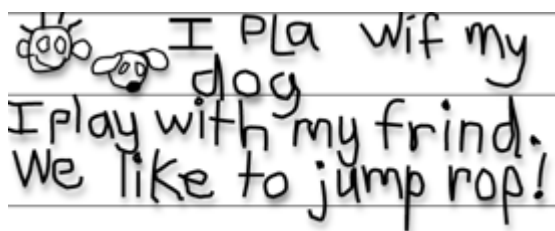
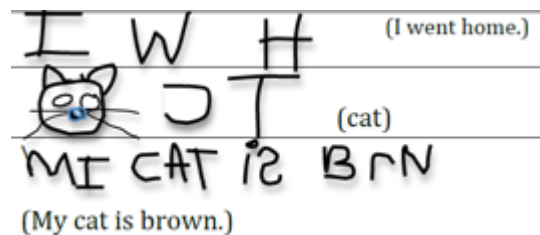
Our writing journey...

Children begin to make marks that represent lines and circles and then squiggles or letter like shapes.



Children use random letter shapes to communicate meaning. They will attempt to copy letters and words that they can see around them.

Children begin to use the sounds that they can hear in words to attempt to write short sentences.



Children use their phonic knowledge to write simple sentences that can be read by themselves and others.

THE ALPHABET

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