

'With God, all things are possible...'



2024-2025 Interim Handwriting Sequence

Due to our focus on improving presentation at St Joseph's in the 2023-2024 academic year, in the 2024-2025 academic year, there will be a slight adjustment to the teaching sequence.

Children moving into Year 3 in September 2024, will **not** have been taught pre-cursive script. This was a conscious decision made in the interest of consolidating print and getting the overall standard of handwriting and presentation in KS1 much higher and more consistent.

Therefore, during the 2024-2025 Autumn term of Year 3, children will be taught the pre-cursive script:

Straight line continuous cursive letters

Curves to start continuous cursive letters

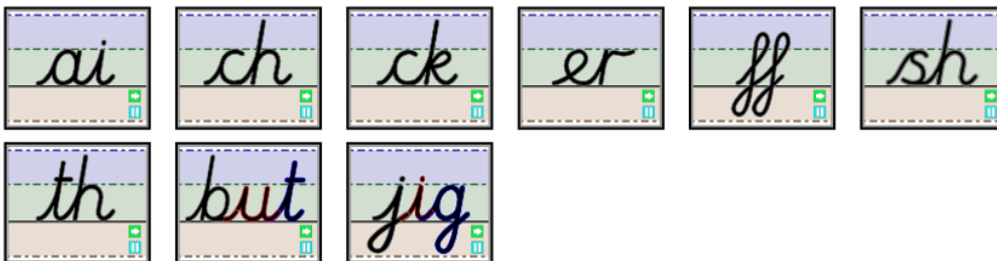
Top exit continuous cursive letters

Tunnel continuous cursive letters

Hooks, loops and lines continuous cursive letters

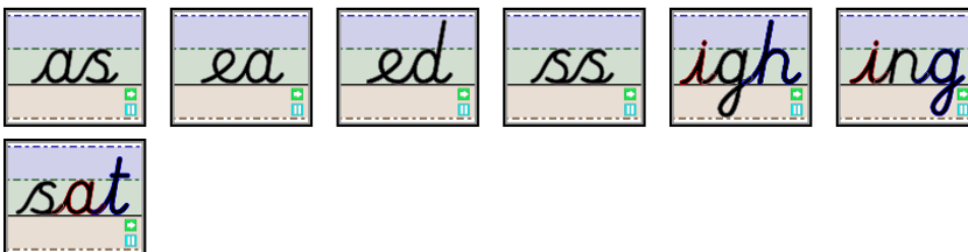
The joins that would usually be taught in Autumn of Year 3, will move to Spring for 2024-2025 only:

Continuous Cursive Letter bottom joins



The joins that would usually be taught in Spring of Year 3, will move to Summer for 2024-2025 only:

Continuous Cursive Letter bottom to c shaped letter joins

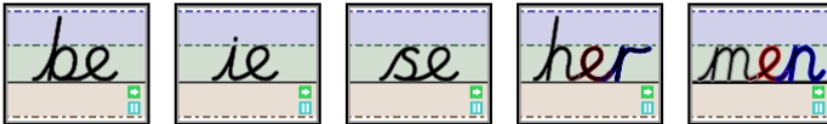


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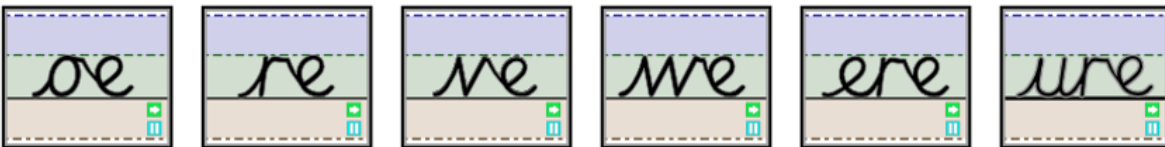


The joins that would usually be taught in Summer of Year 3, will move to Autumn of Year 4 for 2024-2025 only. These consist of the top row in the image below. These will then be followed by the joins that are already taught in Year 4, Autumn term which are the second row in the image below. This means that 11 joins will be taught in Autumn of Year 4, in a term which usually lasts between 13 and 15 weeks. The children will now be on track.

Continuous Cursive Letter bottom e letter joins

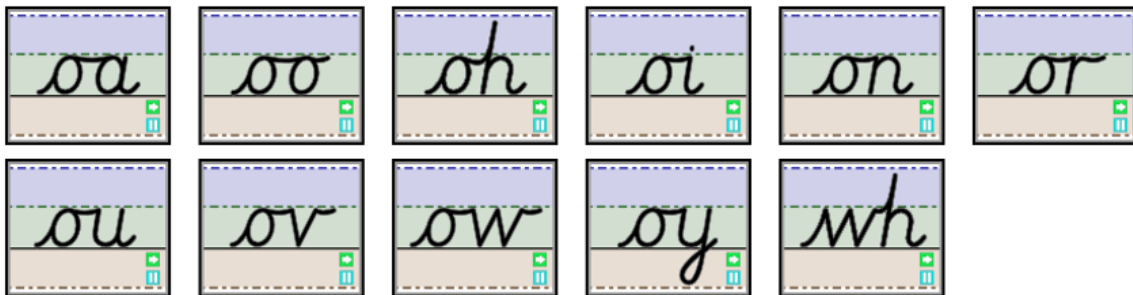


Continuous Cursive Letter top e letter joins



The joins that would usually be taught in Spring of Year 4, will be taught in Spring as per the Presentation and Handwriting policy:

Continuous Cursive Letter top letter joins



This sequence enables all children to be taught pre cursive letters in Year 3 instead of Year 2, but also to be back on track so that all joins have been taught by the end of Spring Term, Year 4. In the final Summer Term, all of the joins taught in Key Stage Two are consolidated and any misconceptions are continuously addressed. There are also 'free weeks' in all of the terms where all of the joins for that term have already been explicitly taught; this is opportunity for consolidation and further practise.