

Handwriting Guidance

To help your child improve their handwriting, please follow the tips below to support their development.

Make sure your child is;

- * sitting at the table correctly
- * holding their pencil with the correct grip (see picture)
- * sitting with an adult to ensure they take care to form letters correctly
- * has a dot as a starting point, so your child can see where the letter should start

I have attached example sheets of the letter formation used in Catwg Primary for you to follow. Sheet 1 shows the letter families, sheet 2 is a guide to how writing should be presented in the book and sheet 3 demonstrates where each letter begins (a dot) and the direction it is formed (an arrow).

All letters sit in their own space on specific lines and are formed from the top. In school we look for letter to be consistent in size and use the correct formation.

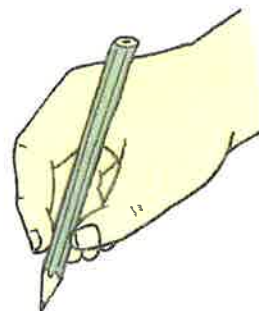
Handwriting practise can be a short daily activity. Your child can begin with individual letters, repeating any they are not confident with. They can also practise their name, spelling words or High Frequency Words. You may find giving your child an example in their book will help.

Maths

When writing a sum, please encourage your child to put a number/symbol in each square.

Thank you for continuing to support your child.

Good Pencil Grip



Dynamic Tripod Grasp

- Pencil is held in stable position between the thumb, index and middle finger.
- The ring and little fingers are bent and rest comfortably on the table.
- The index finger and thumb form an open space.
- The wrist is bent back slightly, and the forearm is