

## **Doxey Primary School**

### **Handwriting**

At Doxey we are very proud of the standard of our children's handwriting. We believe it is an important skill developing care and pride.

In years one to six, handwriting is taught and practised for five to ten minutes at the start of every day.

In the Early Years, handwriting is taught in small groups at different times during the day.

Correct letter formation is an important part of the daily Read Write Inc., programme used at Doxey.

Initially all children are taught the Read Write Inc., handwriting style, once this is mastered, they move onto a cursive style. Every classroom has a *Teacher's Guide to Doxey Handwriting Style* that outlines the expectations for children at each age and includes handwriting sheets to use during practice.

Children begin to write with a HB pencil and then move onto using a fountain/cartridge pen.

Development is at individual rates. The progression to cursive style or to pen is judged carefully and may take place at any time from Year one to Year six.

Particular care is taken to identify children who may find handwriting difficult, for example: left-handed children, those who have difficulties with fine motor skills, children with dyslexia.

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