

Handwriting end of year expectations in Year 3

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In Year 3 children should be taught to:

The main aim during this year is for children to refine their handwriting and to make sure that the size and proportions of all letters, and the spaces between letters and words, are consistent and even.

New joins: Joins from p and b :	to a short letter:	pi, be
	to an ascender:	ph, bb
	to an anticlockwise letter:	po, ba

By this stage, children should be secure at joining and able to use joined-up writing for most of their work. Opportunities will also be provided for children to practise writing at increased speed so that they can produce longer pieces of writing with greater ease.

There is continued emphasis on using movements of handwriting to support spelling through the revision of common letter patterns.

