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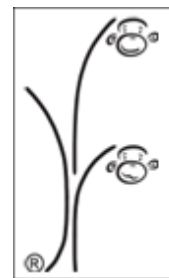
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Kinetic Letters

Dear Parents and Carers,

From September, we are excited to introduce Kinetic Letters® as our whole-school handwriting programme. Kinetic Letters® is designed to help children develop neat, fluent handwriting while building the physical skills needed for successful writing. The programme focuses on making handwriting automatic, enabling children to concentrate on their ideas and learning rather than the mechanics of writing.



Kinetic Letters® is built around four key areas:

- Making bodies stronger
- Holding the pencil correctly
- Learning letter formation
- Developing flow and fluency

By developing these skills, children learn to write neatly, quickly and automatically, allowing them to focus more on their learning.

Building Strong Foundations

Handwriting relies on good core, shoulder and arm strength. Through a range of activities, children develop the physical control needed for precise finger movements and successful handwriting.

Pencil Grip and Learning Letter Formation

A comfortable and efficient pencil grip is essential for writing. Children are taught how to hold their pencil correctly, helping them write with greater control and for longer periods without discomfort.

Children learn letter formation through a structured approach, beginning with large body movements before progressing to writing on different surfaces and eventually paper.

Kinetic Letters® uses two monkey characters to help children remember how letters are formed:

- Bounce – the brave monkey who climbs to the top branch.
- Skip – the cautious monkey who stays on the lower branch.

The characters help children understand and remember correct starting points and movements for letter formation.

Flow and Fluency

As children become more confident writers, they learn to write more smoothly and efficiently. Kinetic Letters® reduces unnecessary movements, helping children develop a faster, more fluent handwriting style.

Working Together

Thank you for supporting your child's handwriting development. With regular practice at school and home, children can build the confidence, fluency and automaticity needed to become successful writers.

If you have any questions about Kinetic Letters® or how to support your child at home, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Blane.

Kind regards,

Mrs B Blane

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