Nursery and Reception Literacy Progression





Expectation of Progress Across RWI in Nursery and Reception

Year Band	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Nursery		Phase 1 Letters and Sounds activities			Phase 1 Letters and Sounds	
_					activities + introduction to RWI set	
					1 sounds	
Reception	Read single-letter	Read all Set 1	Blend sounds to	Read Red	Read Green	Read Green or
-	Set 1 sounds (first	single letter	read words Read	Storybooks Read	Storybooks	Purple
	16)	sounds Blend	short Ditty stories	4 double		Storybooks Read
		sounds into	Read Set 1 Special	consonants		first 6 Set 2
		words orally	Friends			sounds

Expectation of Progress Across Writing in Nursery and Reception

Nursery Year	Reception Autumn 1	Reception Autumn 2	Reception Spring 1	Reception Spring 2	Reception Summer 1	Reception Summer 2
Use some of their	Copy full name from	Form lowercase	Spell words and short	Write short sentences	Use finger spaces	Use a capital letter at
print and letter	a name label.	letters and capital	phrases by	with words with	most of the time	the beginning of a
knowledge in their		letters correctly.	identifying the	known sound- letter	when writing short	sentence and a full
early writing.	Begin to form		sounds and then	correspondences,	sentences.	stop at the end.
	lowercase letters and	Spell words by	writing the sound	using a capital letter		
Write some or all of	capital letters	identifying the	with letter/s.	and a full stop.	Write recognisable	Spell words by
their name.	correctly.	sounds and then			letters, most of which	identifying sounds in
		writing the sound	Hold a pencil	Begin to use capital	are correctly formed.	them and
Write some letters	Begin to use tripod	with letter/s.	effectively in	letters, finger spaces		representing the
accurately.	grip.		preparation for fluent	and full stops in		sounds with a letter
		Use a range of small	writing. Using the	independent writing.		or letters, choosing
Begin to use tripod		tools competently	tripod grip in almost			from 2 sound
grip		and confidently.	all cases.			options.
						Write simple phrases
						and sentences that
						can be read by
						others.

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Writing Opportunities								
'Squiggle while you	Name writing	RWI lessons	Weekly news writing	Weekly news writing	Weekly news writing	Weekly news writing		
Wiggle'	practise		sessions.	sessions.	sessions.	sessions.		
		Topic writing						
Range mark making	Writing/ mark		RWI lessons	RWI lessons	RWI lessons	RWI lessons		
implements in provision	making in	Writing/ mark						
(inside and outside)	provision (inside	making in provision	Topic writing	Topic writing	Topic writing	Topic writing		
	and outside)	(inside and outside)						
RWI lessons (summer			Drawing Club	Drawing Club	Drawing Club	Drawing Club		
term)	RWI lessons							
			Writing/ mark making	Writing/ mark making	Writing/ mark making	Writing/ mark making		
	Topic writing		in provision (inside	in provision (inside	in provision (inside	in provision (inside		
			and outside)	and outside)	and outside)	and outside)		

^{*}In Year 1 pupils move onto the writing journey, refer to writing progression maps.