Skills Progression Document

Literacy Writing	Nursery Skills	 <u>Development Matters 30-50months</u> Sometimes gives meaning to marks as they draw and paint. Ascribes meanings to marks that they see in different places. 	Reception Skills	 <u>Development Matters 40-60months</u> Gives meaning to marks they make as they draw, write and paint. Begins to break the flow of speech into words. Continues a rhyming string. Hears and says the initial sound in words. Can segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together. Links sounds to letters, naming and sounding the letters of the alphabet. Uses some clearly identifiable letters to communicate meaning, representing some sounds correctly and in sequence. Writes own name and other things such as labels, captions. Attempts to write short sentences in meaningful contexts. Early Learning Goal Children use their phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match their spoken sounds. They also write some irregular common words. They write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. Some words are spelt correctly and others are phonetically plausible.
<u>Autumn 1</u> Environment		Writing area Sensory tray Roller brushes	To gives meaning to marks they make To be able to	Topic: We've got the Whole World in Our Hands Writing area RWI sounds all around the environment
	To develop gross motor skills	Plungers Large paintbrushes Self-registration with pictures	continue a rhyming string To hear and say the initial sound in words	Fine motor table Phonics table
Activities	To develop gross - clockwise and anticlockwise circles	Sensory trays e.g. cornflour, glitter, sand and water, paint. Painting playhouse with brushes and water. Powder paints Key Vocabulary: paint, circle, line		Sorting activities to hear initial sounds Writing sounds using different materials, paintbrush, chalk, whiteboard pen etc Magnetic letters and magnets Playdough to support letters
				Drawing where they live and who they live with.

				Attempting to copy different styles of writing linked to topic e.g. Japanese Key Vocabulary: letter, sound, rhyme
What you will see		Children using climbing and play equipment.		Children writing and learning sounds during their phonics lessons and in follow up focus groups
		Children using a range of mark making tools both inside and outside the classroom.		Children using sound mats to support their sounds
<u>Autumn 2</u>	To develop fine	Playground chalk	To link letters to sounds	Topic: Let's Celebrate Playground chalk
Environment	motor skills	Paintbrushes Sticks for outside mark making	To write single sounds	Sound of the day table
		Playdough	Sounds	Name writing table
	To be able to	Large whiteboard on floor (tummy time)		
Activities	mark make in sensory ways	Helicopter Stories		Writing their own name using their tray labels and dots to support
		Tummy Time mark making sessions linked to story of the week.		Adding letters to any mark making produced attempting to put their own name on every piece of work produced
		Self portraits Playdough/dough gym	To use some clearly identifiable letters to	Children to label their own self-portraits attempting to write captions
	To make circular, linear marks	Christmas Cards / lists	communicate meaning	Children attempt to write Christmas cards and lists
		Role play area - knives for cutting		Children to write and draw about what they are going to do in the holiday
		Tummy Time		Key Vocabulary: letter, sound, name
		Key Vocabulary: circle, straight, round	To be able to write own	
What you will see		Children using smaller tools for mark making e.g. finer paintbrushes, pens, pencils	name and other things such as labels, captions.	Children using a range of writing tools e.g. pencil, felt-tip pen, chalk, crayons etc
	To make vertical and horizontal lines	Children developing better control of writing tools, e.g. less children using whole hand clasp		Children using their tray labels and sound mats to support their writing
				Writing opportunities throughout the classroom e.g. big and small whiteboards

		Children talking about what they are drawing and giving more meaning e.g. 'that's me'.		
Spring 1 Environment Activities	To make zig zag lines Wavy lines Clockwise and anticlockwise circles	Writing Area Paper Pens Clipboards Pencils Painting on the easel (more control). Name writing – snack table. Self portraits Helicopter stories with illustrations.	To start to attempt to write CVC words To be able to independently write some irregular common words I, to, the	Topic: A Helping Hand Children choosing CVC pictures out of a hat and writing them e.g. bag, bat, mat Children writing at the phonics table Objects linked to the sound of the day Irregulars words display around the classroom Children labelling parts of the body and animals bodies linked to doctors and vets Children writing questions to the firefighters and other
	To draw pictures representing themselves/likes To be able to voice thoughts whilst writing	Spring drawings to display their knowledge linked to seasons. Children using name cards to write their name independently for snack time. Children writing shopping lists for cooking activity. Key Vocabulary: copy, draw,		visitors Children drawing and attempt to write words to describe a crime scene and write down some clues Key Vocabulary: red words, question, parts
What you will see		Adults scribing children's work. Children using horizontal and vertical lines to represent letters or words. Children mark making in a range of areas e.g. outside, role play, tummy time, creative table. Children drawing things they see in the environment e.g. characters from stories, trees, flowers.		Children mark making and writing in the writing area Opportunities for writing all around the classroom and outside Writing template sheets and paper made into booklets to encourage and promote writing Focus groups, adult led learning taking place throughout the day
<u>Spring 2</u> Environment	To use writing to convey meaning	Sorting objects/sounds Clipboards outside / near construction areas Whole class books on display	To be able to write short sentences in meaningful contexts	Topic: Let it Grow Using clipboards outside and noticing changes and patterns linked to our topic A range of red words displayed in the classroom for children

		Helicopter stories on display Children's work displayed including name, labels, initial sounds to go with their pictures, maps.		Sound mats with set 2 and 3 sounds on them to extend learning
Activities		Minibeast hunt		Children writing mother's day cards
		Mother's Day cards		Labelling parts of life cycles
		Labelling and drawing plants		Writing names for the live caterpillars
		Planting and drawing stages of plant growth		Writing and recording a bean diary to look at the changes occurring to the bean
		Key Vocabulary: letter, name, copy		Key Vocabulary: grow, change, habitat
What you will see		Children using marks to convey meaning and talking about them.	-	Children talking about the changes occurring e.g. changes to their beans or to the caterpillars
		Some children using some recognisable letters to convey meaning e.g. letters from their name.		Children using their sound mats to update the changes to their bean diaries
		Children using tripod grip.		Children writing sentences about the caterpillars
		Booster groups for fine motor development.		Focus groups with adult led writing task
<u>Summer 1</u>		Sound mats	To write sentences using a range of	Topic: Fairy Tales Helicopter stories box with children's independently written
Environment		Name cards	irregular words	and some scribed
Chinonment	To be able to write name To use letters from name to convey meaning	Writing cards		Templates for children to mark make and write on e.g. wanted
		Writing frames e.g. recipes / ingredients		poster
Activities		Name writing		Children writing invitations to the fairy-tale ball
		Letter formation		Children to write a wanted poster to find the giant
		Recipe writing		Children to start forming joined up letters
				Helicopter stories

What you will see		Children writing their own names on their work. Children independently writing their name. Key Vocabulary: name, letter, card		Children attempting to write cursive letters following a programme on the board in the morning Children to start to write their own stories inspired by the topic Focus groups with adult led writing opportunities Key Vocabulary: story, fairy tale,
<u>Summer 2</u>		Self-registration names only	To be able to start writing narrative	Topic: Under the Sea Paper books for stories
Environment	To be able to mark make linked to letters of the alphabet	Phonics display Handwriting mats for reference Pencil grips	stories using some correct spelling of words and a range of irregular words	A range of texts and video clips being shown to support their language and knowledge about under the sea
Activities		Writing sound of the week. Name writing continued – more control / focus on handwriting.	_	Spellings and self-correcting in the morning when children come in Children writing simple sentences using the super sentence checklist to support their structure Children writing in their deep sea diver log books
What you will see		Majority of children using correct pencil grip.	_	(sea creature fact files) Booster groups for HA children to develop their story writing and narrative further using correct spellings
		Key Vocabulary: sound, letter, phonics		Whole class watching a video and facts linked to an animal Children attempt to recall a fact and write it in the divers log book each
				Key Vocabulary: Beginning, middle, end