

Handwriting

Introduction:

Children must be able to write with ease, speed and legibility. Handwriting should be an automatic process, to allow the children to focus on the content of their work, not letter formation. Difficulty with letter formation limits the fluency of their movements and has a negative effect on the quality and quantity of the work produced.

In Scoil San Carlo Senior, we aim to:

- Help develop a positive attitude to handwriting.
- Help the children achieve a script which can be read easily.
- Ensure the children develop a fluent, joined handwriting style .

Script:Cursive Writing(Kramer)

Resources used: *Write Here* workbooks G,H

Pencils: 3rd /4th class

Berol handwriting pens :5th/6th class

3rd Class

Children will be introduced to the cursive writing script .

Workbook *Write Here G* will be used.

It is recommended that the children practise for at least 10 minutes per day.

4th Class

Pupils will consolidate skills learned in 3rd Class.

Workbook *Write Here H* will be used.

Children will again practise for at least 10 minutes per day.

5th and 6th class

Worksheets from ***All Write Now Cursive C,D*** will be used to revise and consolidate handwriting skills.

Children will practise 2/3 times per week.

Some pupils may require extra practice.

Teacher will provide opportunities for 'real writing' i.e writing poems, nonfiction etc.

Pupils who have mastered the skills of cursive handwriting will be awarded a 'pen licence', when the teacher deems their writing to be sufficiently good.

Pupils will be encouraged to use Berol handwriting pens which are available in the school shop.

Pupils will continue to use pencil to complete maths work.