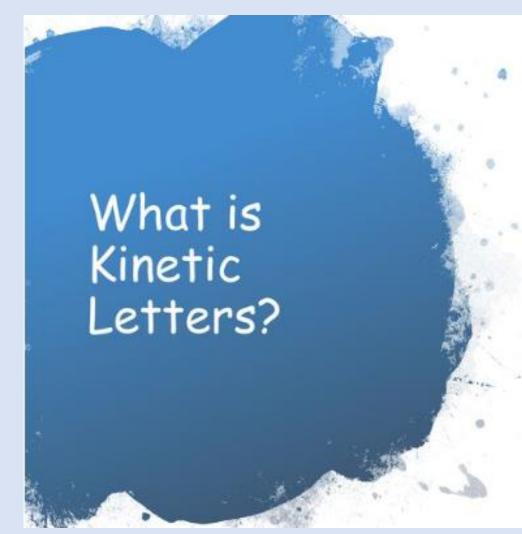


Welcome to Kinetic Letters





- Kinetic Letters is a programme which teaches children how to form letters correctly, quickly and with confidence.
- As handwriting becomes more fluent, children think less about handwriting allowing more time to think about the content of writing.

Handwriting becomes automatic.

How do we teach Kinetic Letters?

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There are 4 strands to Kinetic Letters which we work through

- Red making bodies stronger (this is ongoing)
- Green holding a pencil correctly
 - Yellow Letter formation
- Blue writing with fluency (speed)

Importance of physical development

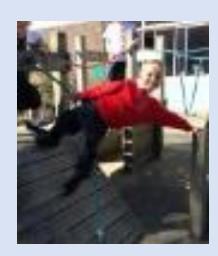
Handwriting requires more than just hand muscles.

- Strong core muscles allow children to sit at tables correctly and comfortably when writing.
- Strong shoulder muscles allow children to be able to control the lower parts of the arm
- Strong wrists enable children to hold the pencil correctly and for longer periods of time

The red strand - making bodies stronger

Develops gross and fine motor skills - whole class and individual targets:

- 'Dough gym'
- 'Finger gym'
- Clapping games
- Climbing apparatus
- Crawling, tunnels











The red strand: Animal poses we use at school to make our bodies stronger

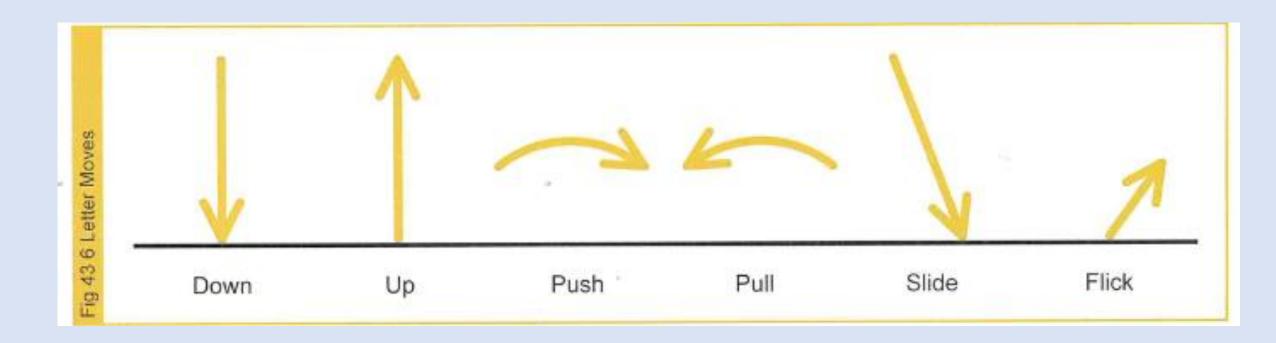


There are lots of opportunities to make our bodies stronger at home using these poses. For example whilst:

- Watching TV/Ipad
- Playing a game
- Reading a book

Yellow strand: letter formation

The 6 letter moves: 'move it say it'



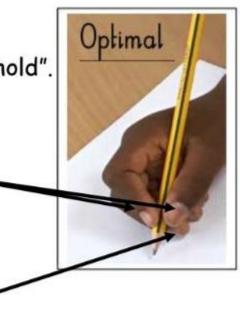
Green strand: holding a pencil correctly

Pencil Hold

We teach the children the "three friends hold".

The thumb and first finger sit on top of the pencil

The third finger is called the pillow finger and sits underneath the pencil



Yellow strand: letter formation



How do we learn our letters?

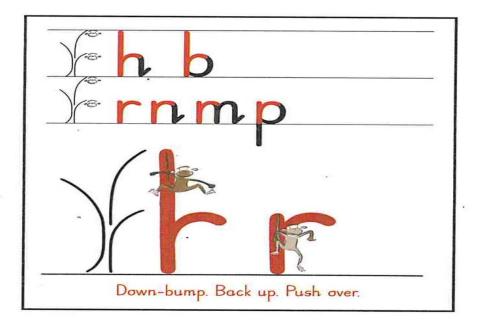
Letters are grouped into letter families.

Each letter family is introduced to the children through a story about two monkeys called Bounce and Skip.

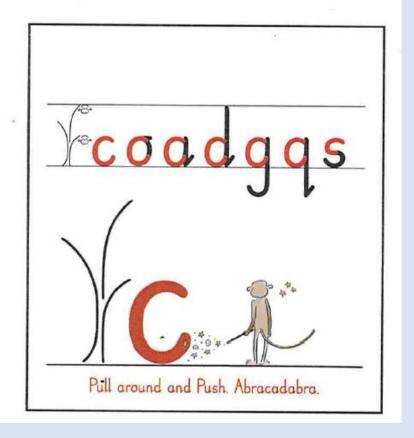
Bounce is a brave monkey and helps write the tall letters whilst skip is a scared monkey and helps write the other letters.

Yellow strand: the letter families

Jumper Family: Made by jumping from trees in the Island Adventure.

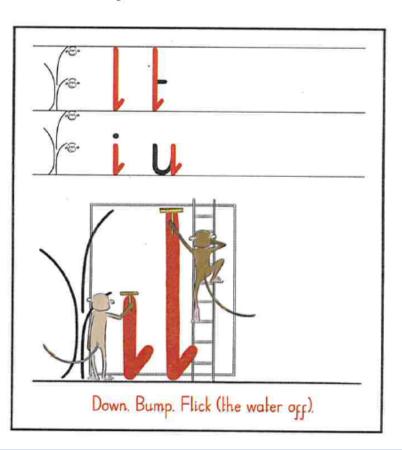


Abracadabra Family: Magicked from c in the Party adventure.

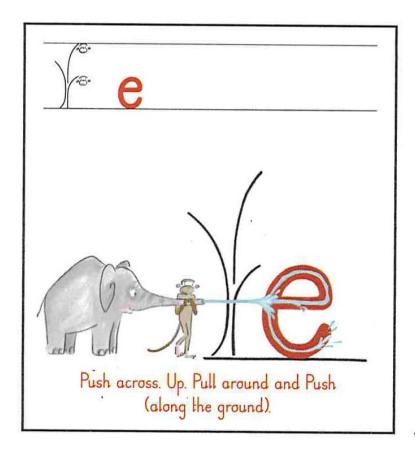


Yellow strand: the letter families

Window Cleaner Family: Made with squeegees in the City Adventure.

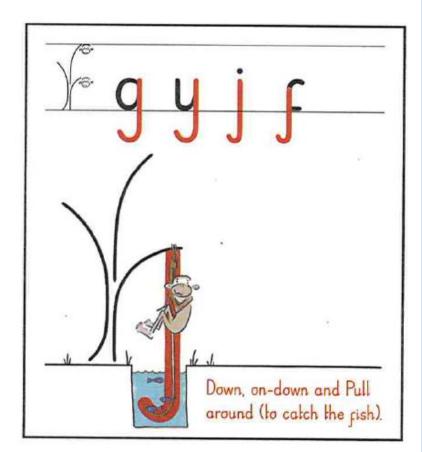


Special Squirter: Made with the elephant's trunk in the Water Adventure.



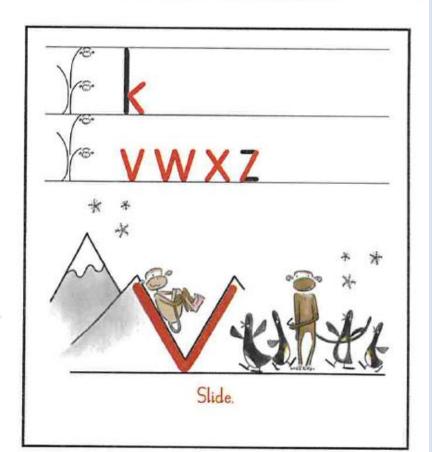
Yellow strand: the letter families

Fisher Family: Use their tails for fishing in the Water Adventure.



Slider Family:

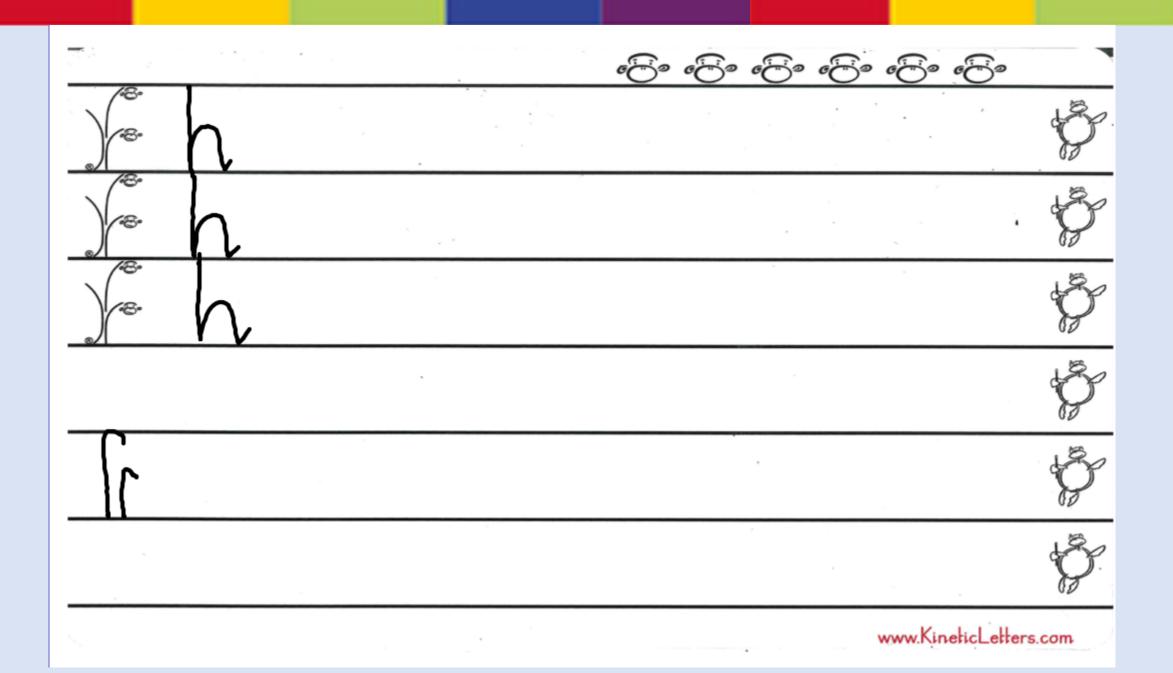
Made by sliding down mountains in the Antarctic Adventure.

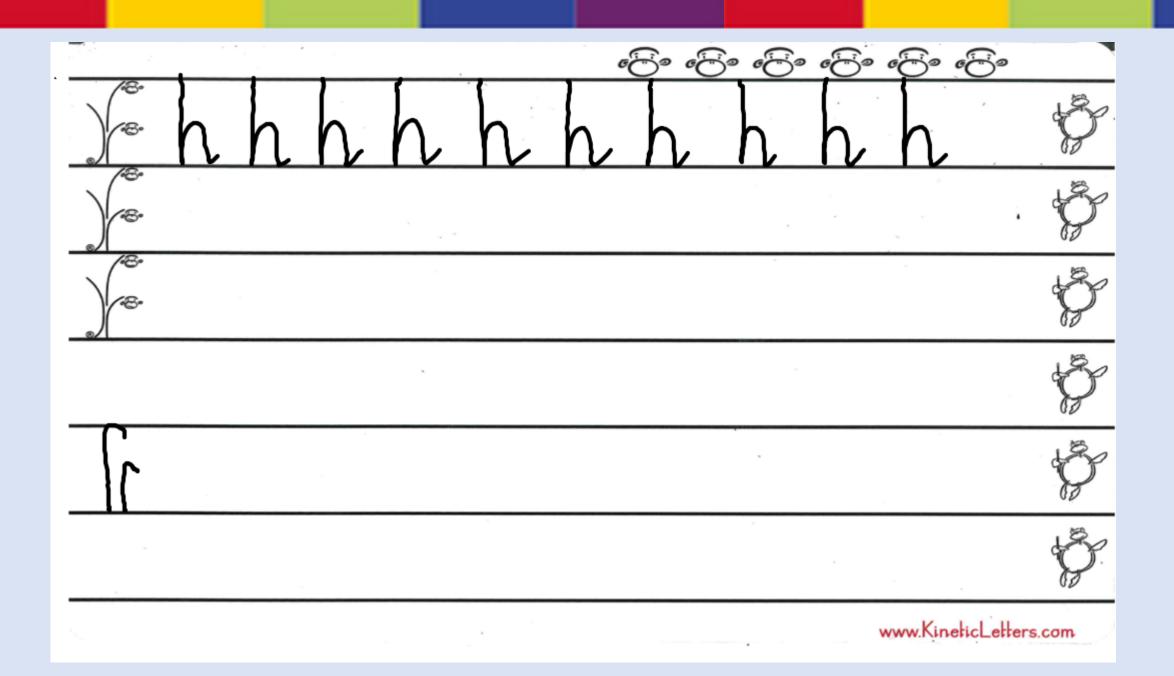


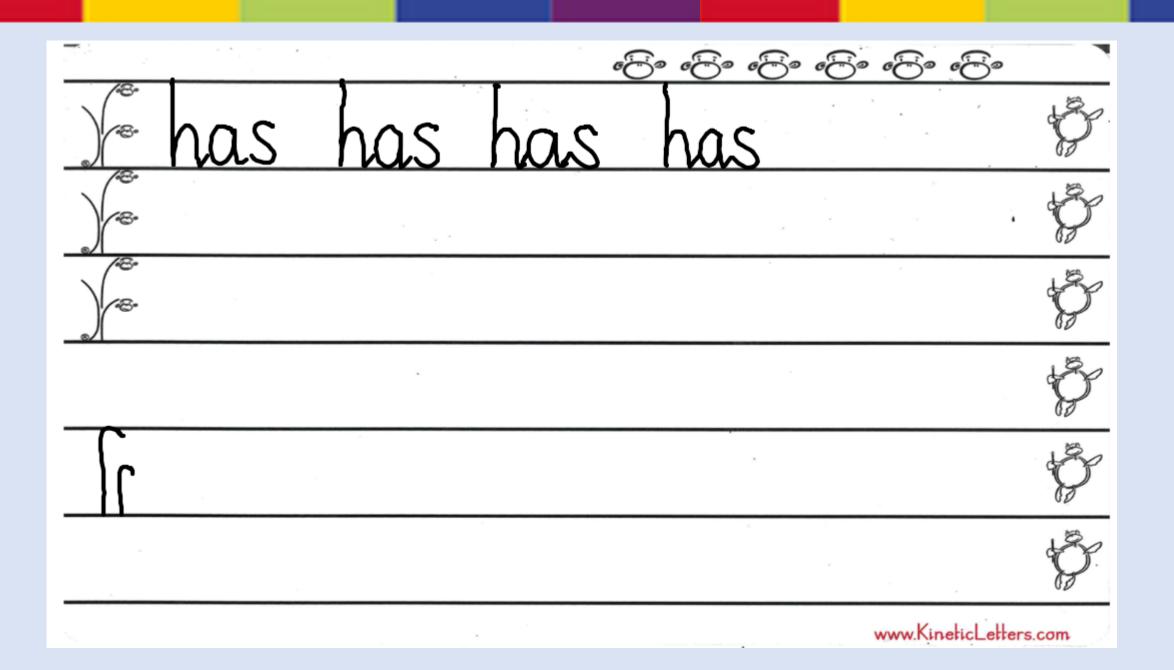


What does a Kinetic Lesson look like?

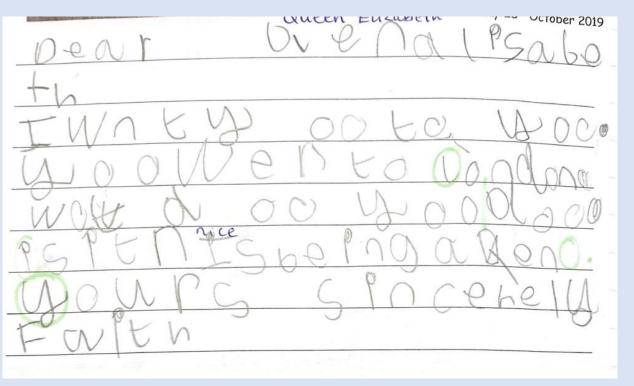
- Children hear the story and are introduced to the letter family. The teacher choses one letter to learn a day.
- Children use their arms to "air write" the letters first. They use their whole bodies to do this.
- Children then write the letter in a sand tray. Children will be on the carpet in the Lizard position.
- Once children are confident with forming the letters in the sand, they then write it onto a white board.







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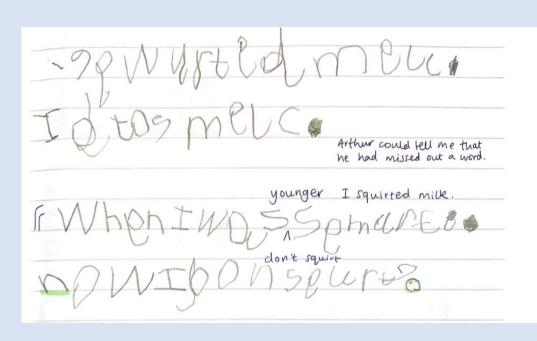


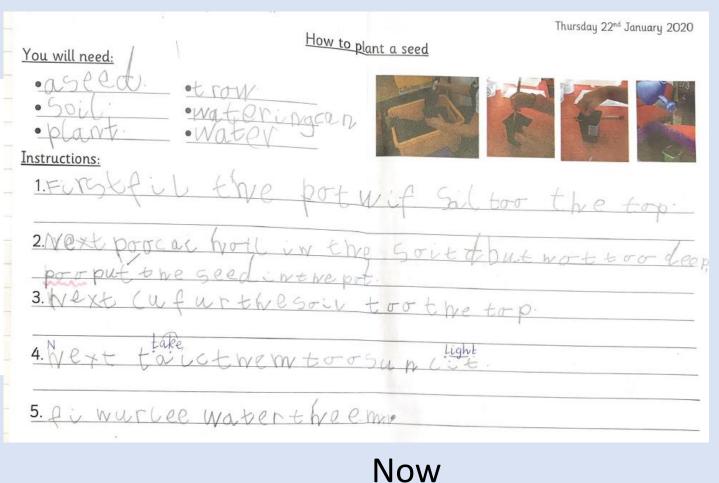
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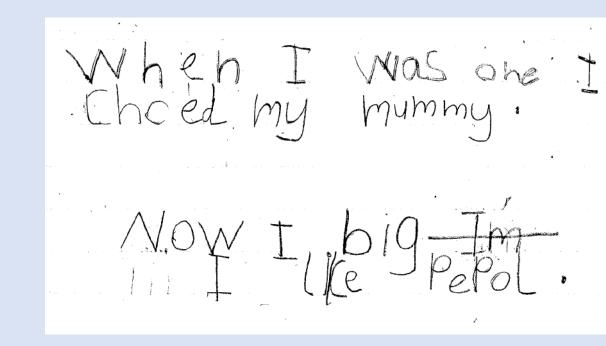
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