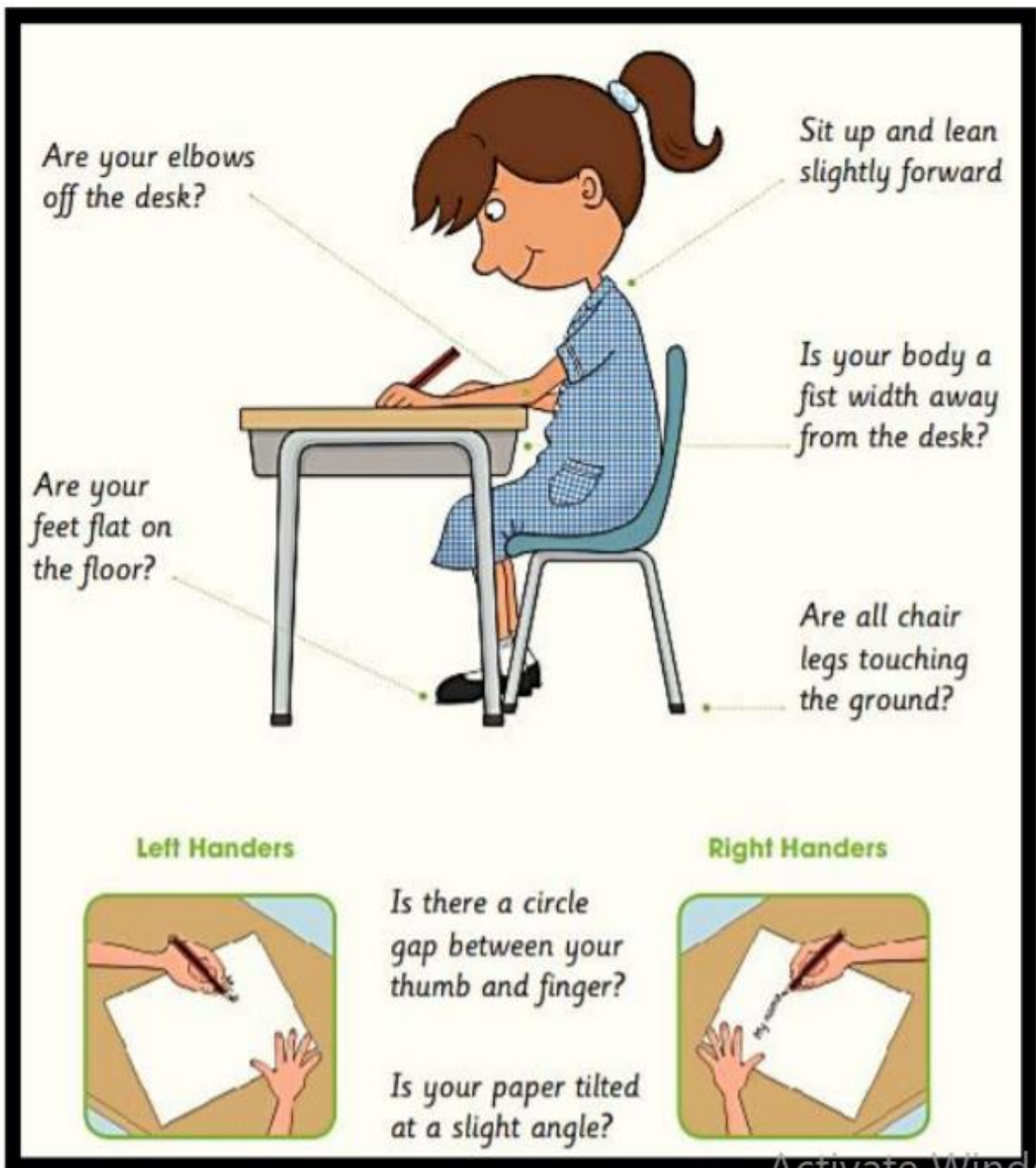


Handwriting Please use the resources to further support your child with their handwriting. This can be done on lined paper. (Videos on website from Monday.)

Practise your handwriting for 10-15 minutes each day. Start with the anticlockwise family and practise writing a line each of the first 3 letters. Pick out from each line the letter that you have written the best, you could put a smiley face above it ☺ Then decide which letter needs some more practise and complete another line of this letter, trying hard to make each letter neater. Write each letter in a word, concentrating on neat handwriting. Next day start with the letter that you had to practise twice yesterday and then continue as above moving through the letters in the group. Check, smiley face the best and practise the one that needs more practise. Continue as above each day.

It is important to be sitting and holding the pencil correctly to be able to write correctly and neatly.



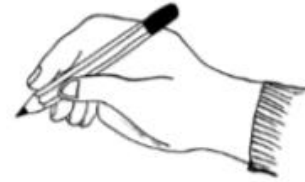
Tripod Grip



*Visual of Pencil Grip
Left-Handed*



*Visual of Pencil Grip
Right-Handed*



To help with getting the correct pencil grip, a peg is a very good resource, best one I have seen for improving a child's pencil grip. The pictures below show how to use a peg for this, for left hand and right hand writers.

Left hand



Right hand



Some children need to start with gaining better pencil control. Use this booklet to practise going over the lines without wobbling off. The aim is to have control of your pencil, so go slow and steady when following the lines. (On the website.)

My Pencil Control Workbook



The letters are grouped into families depending on the way that they are formed. There are four letter families, anticlockwise family, clockwise family, line family and the curvy family. This is also the order that we practise them in school when first starting to write. Learning them in families like this further supports because children are learning letters with similar formations and shapes at the same time.

Anticlockwise family

A series of handwriting practice lines. Each line set consists of a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line. The letters 'c', 'a', 'd', 'g', 'q', 'o', and 'e' are written in a cursive style on these lines. The letter 'c' is positioned between the top and middle lines. The letter 'a' is between the middle and bottom lines. The letter 'd' spans from the middle to the bottom line. The letter 'g' spans from the top to the bottom line. The letter 'q' spans from the top to the bottom line. The letter 'o' is between the middle and bottom lines. The letter 'e' is between the middle and bottom lines. There are empty lines below 'e' for further practice.

Clockwise family

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m

h

b

p

R

Line family

I

i

X

Z

V

W

Curvy family

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y

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f

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