Moorland Primary School – Progression of Skills in Writing



	Development Matters 3 and 4 year olds will be learning to:	Development Matters Children in Reception will be learning to	EYFS Framework ELG
	Writing	Writing	Writing
Early years Development Matters and Statutory ELGs are not the EYFS curriculum. This outlines an overview of how children develop and learn.	 Use some of their print and letter knowledge in their early writing. For example: writing a pretend shopping list that starts at the top of the page; write 'm' for mummy. Write some letters accurately. 	 Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with the letter/s. Write short sentences with words with known letter-sound correspondences using a capital letter and a full stop. Form lower case and capital letters correctly. Re-read what they have written to check it makes sense 	 Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed; Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters; Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others
Children's early learning is not neat	Physical Development	Physical Development	Physical Development
and orderly, as such these are used as a pathway to help practitioners assess each child's level of development and make informed decisions about what a child needs to learn and be able to do next.	 Use large-muscle movements to wave flags and streamers, paint and make marks. Use one-handed tools and equipment, for example, making snips in paper with scissors. Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding pens and pencils. Shows a preference for a dominant hand. 	 Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently. Suggested tools: pencils for drawing and writing, paintbrushes, scissors, knives, forks and spoons. Use their core muscle strength to achieve a 	• Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing — using the tripod grip in almost all cases.



good posture when sitting at a table or
sitting
on the floor.
Develop the foundations of a
handwriting style which is fast, accurate
and efficient.