

## Handwriting at Nettlestone

**Reception** children learn how to write the letters with no lead ins or outs.

**Year 1** children begin to put lead outs on their letters in preparation for joining.

We do not use lead ins at Nettlestone.

At some point in **Year 2 or 3**, children begin to join their writing.

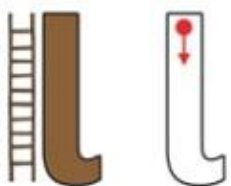
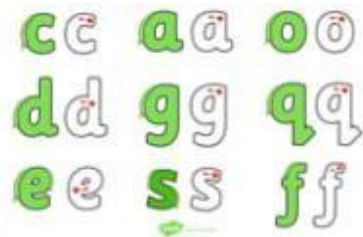
The letters of the alphabet can be divided into

'movement groups' based on the movement made to start writing the letter.

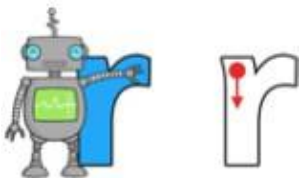
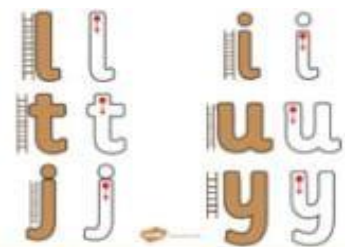
Each group has a lead letter to master; once the movement for this letter has been grasped it is:



*for curly caterpillar letters*



*for the ladder letters*



*for the one-armed robot letters*



*for the zig zag monster letters*

