

Year 1 overview and progression

The Little Wandle Handwriting programme for Year 1 is organised into teaching units with clearly defined outcomes and assessment criteria.

Individual lesson plans identify the content for each lesson, alongside lesson templates which provide the detail for how each part of the lesson should be delivered.

Assess and review weeks are built into the teaching progression to provide time to revisit areas that require additional practice. Use Assessment for Learning in lessons to identify areas for additional practice in the Assess and review lessons.

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Autumn (Workbook 5: Applying capital letters)	Unit 1	6 weeks	Lower-case letters
	Unit 2	7 weeks	Applying capital letters
Spring (Workbook 6: Forming digits and words)	Unit 3	2 weeks	Forming digits
	Unit 4	4 weeks	Digraphs and trigraphs
	Unit 5	6 weeks	Useful words
Summer (Workbook 7: Writing sentences)	Unit 6	7 weeks	Words with Phase 5 GPCs
	Unit 7	2 weeks	Days of the week
	Unit 8	1 week	Sentences with punctuation
	Unit 9	3 weeks	Sentences with useful words

Year 1 progression	
Autumn term	
Unit 1: Lower-case letters	• c, a, d, g, o, q (Week 1) • e, s, f, l, i, t (Week 2) • j, u, y, m, n, r (Week 3) • b, p, h, v, w, x (Week 4) • z, k (Week 5) • Assess and review (Week 6)
Unit 2: Applying capital letters	• A, B, C, D (Week 7) • E, F, J, H (Week 8) • I, J, K, L (Week 9) • M, N, O, P (Week 10) • Q, R, S, T (Week 11) • U, V, W, X, Y, Z (Week 12) • Assess and review (Week 13)
Spring term	
Unit 3: Forming digits	• Numbers 0–5 (Week 1) • Numbers 6–9 (Week 2)
Unit 4: Digraphs and trigraphs	• ll, ff, ss, zz, qu, ck, ch, sh (Week 3) • th, ng, nk, ai, ee, igh, oa, oo (Week 4) • ar, or, ur, ow, oi, ear, air, er (Week 5) • Assess and review (Week 6)
Unit 5: Useful words	Focus words: • and, go, his, be, her, full, he, into (Week 7) • push, pull, she, put, the, me, is, as (Week 8) • we, to, all, are, by, my, I, was (Week 9) • they, said, you, come, do, have, here, like (Week 10) • love, little, has, one, some, there, so, today (Week 11) • Assess and review (Week 12)

Summer term	
Unit 6: Words with Phase 5 GPCs	Writing words with the GPCs: • ay, a-e, ea, e (Week 1) • ie, i-e, o, o-e (Week 2) • ue, ew, u-e, aw (Week 3) • ea, ir, ou, oy (Week 4) • i, a, ow, u (Week 5) • ph, wh, ie, g (Week 6) • Assess and review (Week 7)
Unit 7: Days of the week	• Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (Week 8) • Friday, Saturday, Sunday (Week 9)
Unit 8: Sentences with punctuation	• Focus punctuation: . ? ! (Week 10)
Unit 9: Sentences with useful words	• Focus words: again, ask, because, could, eye, beautiful, friend, call (Week 11) • Focus words: laugh, our, people, house, school, should, their, water (Week 12) • Assess and review (Week 13)