

# Pre-Cursive A – Pace of Progress

### Term 1

## September

- Develop children's fine motor skills.
- Central to the pre-writing programme, use activities like cutting, threading, lacing, scribbling, taking a line for a walk.
- The pre-writing pattern section of *Edco Handwriting*, along with these activities will help to bring the children to a stage of **writing readiness**.
- Online activities warm up videos, letter formation animations and practice activities.
- Encourage correct posture and pencil grip. Refer to the instructions given on the inside flap of the book.
  - Time spent on these areas in the early stages will benefit the children going forward.

#### October

- Online activities for all handwriting lessons.
- Encourage correct posture and pencil grip. Refer to the instructions given on the inside flap of the book.
- Formal introduction to the letters c, o, a, d.
- Trace the letter with the index finger.
- Trace the pattern with a crayon or pencil.
- Practise and write the letters c, o, a, d.
- Name words with the initial sounds c, o, a, d.

#### **November**

- Online activities for all handwriting lessons.
- Encourage correct posture and pencil grip. Refer to the instructions given on the inside flap of the book.
- Formal introduction to the letters g, q.
- Trace the letter with the index finger.
- Trace the pattern with a crayon or pencil.
- Practise and write the letters g, q.
- Name words with the initial sounds g, q.
- Revise the letters c, o, a, d, g, q.
- Practise and write CVC words using the letters learnt.
- Practise the lower-case letters through word families -og, -od.

## December

- Online activities for all handwriting lessons.
- Encourage correct posture and pencil grip. Refer to the instructions given on the inside flap of the book.
- Formal introduction to the letters j, i, r.
- Trace the letter with the index finger.
- Trace the pattern with a crayon or pencil.
- Practise and write the letters j, i, r.
- Name words with the initial sounds j, i, r.



#### Term 2

#### January

- Online activities for all handwriting lessons.
- Encourage correct posture and pencil grip. Refer to the instructions given on the inside flap of the book.
- Formal introduction to the letters n, m, h.
- Trace the letter with the index finger.
- Trace the pattern with a crayon or pencil.
- Practise and write the letters n, m, h.
- Name words with the initial sounds n, m, h.
- Practise and write CVC words using the letters learnt.

### **February**

- Online activities for all handwriting lessons.
- Encourage correct posture and pencil grip. Refer to the instructions given on the inside flap of the book.
- Formal introduction to the letters b, p.
- Trace the letter with the index finger.
- Trace the pattern with a crayon or pencil.
- Practise and write the letters b, p.
- Name words with the initial sounds b, p.
- Practise and write CVC words using the letters learnt.
- Revise the letters j, i, r, n, m, h, b, p.
- Practise the lower-case letters through word families -ap, -ad.

#### March

- Online activities for all handwriting lessons.
- Encourage correct posture and pencil grip. Refer to the instructions given on the inside flap of the book.
- Formal introduction to the letters I, t, f, k.
- Trace the letter with the index finger.
- Trace the pattern with a crayon or pencil.
- Practise and write the letters I, t, f, k.
- Name words with the initial sounds I, t, f, k.
- Practise and write words using the letters learnt.



#### Term 3

## April

- Online activities for all handwriting lessons.
- Encourage correct posture and pencil grip. Refer to the instructions given on the inside flap of the book.
- Formal introduction to the letters s, e.
- Trace the letter with the index finger.
- Trace the pattern with a crayon or pencil.
- Practise and write the letters s, e.
- Name words with the initial sounds s, e.
- Practise and write words using the letters learnt.
- Revise the letters I, t, f, k, s, e.
- Practise the lower-case letters through word families -en, -ip.

# May

- Online activities for all handwriting lessons
- Encourage correct posture and pencil grip. Refer to the instructions given on the inside flap of the book.
- Formal introduction to the letters u, y, v, w.
- Trace the letter with the index finger.
- Trace the pattern with a crayon or pencil.
- Practise and write the letters u, y, v, w.
- Name words with the initial sounds u, y, v, w.
- Practise and write words using the letters learnt.

## June

- Online activities for all handwriting lessons.
- Encourage correct posture and pencil grip. Refer to the instructions given on the inside flap of the book.
- Formal introduction to the letters x, z.
- Trace the letter with the index finger.
- Trace the pattern with a crayon or pencil.
- Practise and write the letters x, z.
- Name words with the initial sounds x, z.
- Practise and write phrases using the letters learnt.
- Free Writing: Pages designed to help the children to write independently with differentiation in mind. Some children will write sentences while others may write words, depending on their ability.