

Glazebury CE Primary School

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Dear Parents, Carers,

Re: Handwriting

I thought that it was really important to let you all know how raising the profile of the handwriting process at Glazebury CE Primary is going.

Each term I have been collecting a piece of your child's handwriting. When I receive this, I firstly compare this to the previous piece of handwriting that I have for your child, to see progress made. Then I look to see what are the obvious progression points for each child and record these collectively for the teachers to address ready for the next handwriting assessment. If there are any children that I feel would benefit with extra practice I will notify the teacher within my feedback to them.

Part of this analysis will either result in a "commendation" certificate for your child to say "you have made progress from the handwriting sample" or a "Pen Licence" to say "I can see the handwriting expectations that allow joins, ascenders and descenders to make writing clear". So this could mean that your child receives many commendations on their handwriting journey, even when they receive a Pen licence if their handwriting continues to be at the standard expected they also will receive a commendation to say well done and keep it up.

I have to say I really can see a distinct improvement in your child's handwriting and the children themselves are eager to write for me. If a child was absent during the assessment I will ask teachers to send current work up for them although of course I would rather have the same assessment point for analysis.

I hope you are as pleased as I am with the handwriting development we are seeing and celebrate alongside your child.

Kind Regards

Mrs Mowbray <u>Head Teacher</u>