

**Writing**  
Early Learning Centre

Children are encouraged to develop a range of physical competencies:

- Crosses midline
- Has defined handedness
- Has appropriate pencil grip (see Handwriting curriculum)
- Can cut along a line
- Writes name in recognisable form

Children are encouraged to be intellectually inquisitive:

- Uses written symbols (attempts to form letters) to write messages and ideas
- Recognises that writing has a purpose to communicate meaning to others
- Knows and begins to use standard written methods
  - Writes form left to right
  - Uses spaces

Teaching strategies:

- Provide modelled and teacher directed print activities
- Provide opportunities for language experience in personal writing when the student is ready