Letter Formations
As some of you may be aware the children learn little sayings to remember the letter formations of each individual phonic/sound(s). Below are the sayings that the children say for each letter formation. It is always useful for the children to practise the letters alongside their keyring sounds to help them progress with their writing. If you are practising the keyring sounds/numbers at home please do make a comment in the reading diary and let me know how your son/daughter is getting on. Thank you.
$m$ (mountain) - Maisy, mountain mountain
a (apple) - around the apple and down the leaf
$s$ (snake) - slither down the snake
d (dinosaur) - around his back, up to his neck, down to his feet
$t$ (tower) - down the tower, Across the tower
$i$ (insect) - down the insect, and a dot for his head
$n$ (net) - down Nobby and over his net
$p$ (pirate) - Down the plait, up the plait and around the pirates face
g (girl) - around her face, down her hair and give her a curl

- (orange) - all around the orange
$c$ (caterpillar) - curl around the caterpillar
k (kangaroo) - down the kangaroo's body, tail and leg
$\mathbf{u}$ (umbrella) - down under the umbrella, up to the top and down to the puddle
b (boot) - down the laces, over the toe and touch the heel

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f \text { (flower) - down the stem and draw the leaves }
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e (sliced boiled egg) - slice into the egg, go over the top, then under the egg.
I (leg) - down the long leg (and don't forget to go along the feet)
$h$ (horse) - down the horse's head to the hooves and over his back
sh (shhhhhh) - "shhhhh" says the horse to the hissing snake (Same formations as s \& h) $r$ (robot) - down the robot's back, then up and curl around his arm
j (jumping jack) - down his body, curl and dot $v$ (valture) - down the wing, up the wing $y$ (yak) - Down a horn, up a horn and under the yak's head $\mathbf{w}$ (worm) - down, up, down and up the worm
th (thankyou) - the princess is in the tower and is recued by the horse - she says "Thank you." (same formations as $\dagger \& h$ ) $z$ (zip) - zig zag zig down the zip
ch (ch-cho-cho-choo) - The horse sneezes when the caterpillar's hairs get up his nose (c \& $h$ same formations as before)
$q$ (queen) - round the queen's head, up to her crown, down her hair and curl.
$x$ (exercise) - down the arm and leg and repeat the other side.
ng (nnnnnng) A thing on a string (same letter formations as $n$ \& $g$ )
$n k$ (nnnnnnnk) - I think i stink (same letter formations as $n \& k$ )

If there is anything else you would like to know about the phonic work then please come and see me.

