

Suggestions For Home Support: LETTER FORMATION

Your child will be bringing home letters for practice. Keep these letters to create your child's own at home alphabet book and for use later in the year. You will notice the special paper that we use and we call the special lines our **Writing Grid**. The pictures indicate the names of the lines: sky line, plane line, grass line and worm line.

Keep an eye open for a packet titled **Letter Formation Guide** that is a step-by-step guide on how you can coach your child in the writing of letters. Feel free to contact your child's teacher for this information.

Suggestions For Home Support in Developing Letter Formation:

- Try to practice writing the week's letters every night.
- Have your child color the pictures.
- Have your child trace the letter with his/her finger.
- Keep the letters to create an at home alphabet book to be used throughout the year.
- Practice Letter Formation. Provide opportunities for your child to practice printing the letters of the alphabet (i.e. powdered Jello or Shaving Cream on a cookie sheet, Play-Dough, crayons on paper, chalk on the sidewalk, etc.)
- If your child has difficulty forming a particular letter, refer to the **Letter Formation Guide** for the specific verbalization cues.
- Use writing paper with picture cues at home to write notes or letters.