

This Week in Class 1 - 10.9.2018

Our learning

Reception had a great first week settling into school life. This week we will continue to settle into school, continue to build friendships and get to know each other.

This week we will continue to learn around the theme of 'This is me! Marvellous me!' We have already enjoyed listening to The Greatest Showman song 'This is me' and singing '1,2,3 good to be me!'

This week the reception children will begin taking part in some small group activities with an adult. They will paint self-portraits using the appropriate colours, draw the missing half of their portrait photo, create a 'when I grow up' tabard and then use it in their play, and they will make number biscuits which represent their age.

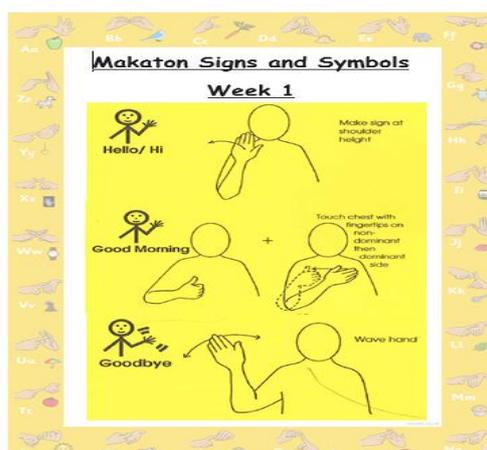
There will be lots of other exciting activities happening in Class 1 this week. The children can create different faces by cutting and sticking the different face features, look at photos of facial expressions and explore making these expressions in a mirror, create a play dough family, play a feelings sorting game with a small group, build houses using a variety of construction toys, create stories in the doll's house and relax in the spa role play area.

The children will also continue to suggest activities they would like to take part in this week. This will help us to learn more about their individual interests.

Makaton

All of the children at St Mary's have started to learn some Makaton signs and symbols. Class 1 have enjoyed taking part in their first Makaton assembly and they have been starting to use some Makaton signs in class. Makaton is an inclusive way to develop all children's communication and spoken language skills. We cannot wait to learn some more- we are even going to take part in a Makaton carpool karaoke challenge!

Here are the signs we have learnt so far. See if you can use them at home.



The parent information board and home learning area

Please have a look at the home learning and parent display as you arrive each morning. Help yourself to some home learning activities which you can use at home to support your child's learning. Take some proud clouds to share exciting events at home with us. If your child is in before or after school care club just let Mrs Vincent know if there is anything you need and the Early Years team can help. We will also send out any information you need to know on Class Dojo, through email or text message.



Home/school boxes

Please check your child's box on the window sill or under your child's peg each morning. You can collect your child's creations that they have been making in school. You can also leave us any letters, books or anything else you would like to share with us in these boxes. We will check the boxes daily.



Remember to send in your little books of wonderful experiences and your proud clouds. It is great when you share your child's achievements with us!

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Coleman-Harris, Miss Wood and Mrs Morris