

Newsletter

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Welcome back to Pre-school after what has been a disruptive year for most and to all our new families. We all look forward to the new term and if you have any ideas or suggestions on activities, resources or ways to do things then just let us know as we are keen to try and meet the needs of everyone at Pre-school.

This term we are looking at the following:-

Letter sounds

Week 1/2 - Settling in	s a
Week 3 - Friendships	t
Week 4/5 - Books	i p
Week 6/7 - Music	n all

The role play area will be a fruit and veg shop

Story mapping - Handa's Surprise

Dates for your diary:-

Date of AGM to follow

Term dates:

Monday 7 September 2020 to

Friday 18 December 2020

*Half term - Monday 26 October to
Friday 30 October 2020*

30 hours if you think you will be eligible for the 30 hours in January 2021 you need to apply now. Please see www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

Registration we will need everyone to up-date their registration forms this term please, to ensure that contact and other details are correct.

Absences it is important for you to phone us about any absences your child has as it is part of your funding agreement with Torbay Council. We also have to inform other parents when children have illnesses which might affect others.

Existing injuries it is also important for you to tell us about any existing injuries your child might have even if you don't know how they occurred, as we can then monitor them at pre-school.

Self-help skills - we shall be encouraging sharing a book together and handling books carefully and putting on their own wellies and coat.

You can also help your child with these vital skills at home. Sharing a book encourages listening and attention skills which is key in the development of language, speech sounds and literacy development.

Putting on their own wellies is one way you can help them build up their self-esteem and physical skills.

Please don't forget to label their bags, lunch boxes and coats with their name please.

Meetings: Can you please update us via email with your child's current interests and to support you with their next steps.

Website:

0-19 Torbay Services for Torbay

Safeguarding: NSPCC

TSGB (Torbay Safeguarding Children's Board)

Don't forget the 'safety point' in Boots stores to support those going through Domestic Violence.

Early Years are running a parent survey to establish needs in regards to childcare in Torbay if you would like to take part go to the following link <https://www.torbay.gov.uk/council/consultations/childcare-consultation-2020/> the survey closes on 11.9.2020.

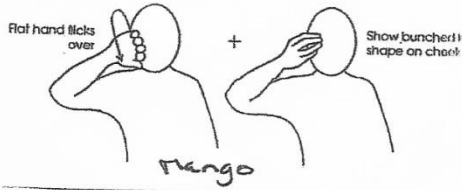
Questionnaire – Thank you for your participation your comments help the setting to move forward to support everyone.

Garden – Don't forget to send in your child with named coats and wellington boots. Also please dress them in clothing suitable for the outdoors. When we are able to have visitors back to the setting we would appreciate help to keep the garden tidy.

Makaton detailed below are the Makaton signs we shall be using this half term and we shall also be including animal signs in our story mapping



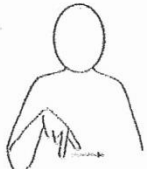
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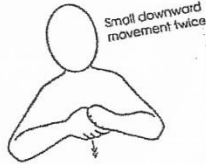
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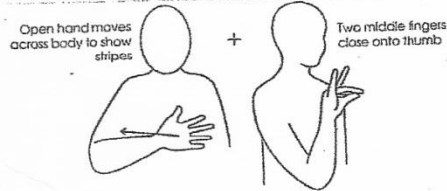
Banana



Walk (set off)



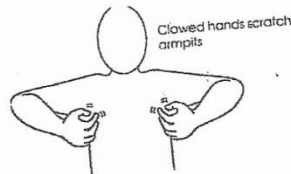
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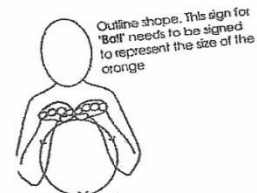
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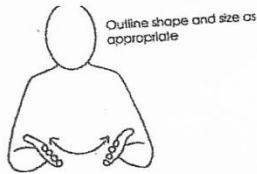
Surprise



Monkey



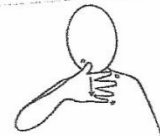
Round (Ball)



Basket (Bowl)



Elephant



Juicy (Juice)



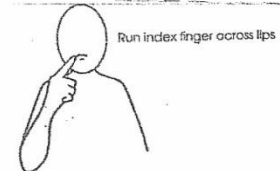
Girl (She/She'll)



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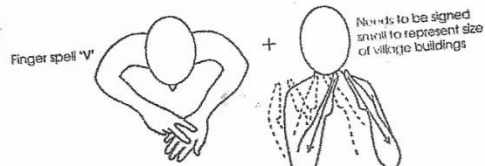
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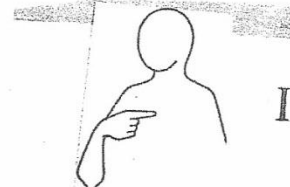
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