



ST. MARY MAGDALENE

C OF E SCHOOL

WOOLWICH CAMPUS

*Excellence through innovation,
founded in faith since 1840.*

FEDERATION EXECUTIVE CO-HEADTEACHERS

Mrs Claire Harrison and Mrs Victoria Wainwright

HEAD OF SCHOOL, WOOLWICH CAMPUS

Mrs Tiffany King

Friday 11th September, 2020

Welcome Parents and Carers to St Mary Magdalene C of E Nursery school. We are really looking forward to having your children in the nursery this academic year. Please take time to read this newsletter which tells you what your child is learning about this term.

'Here We Go' – For the first three weeks we will be learning about our Planet Earth and how we should look after it. The children will learn about who and what lives on the Earth from mountains to people and the importance of it being there for everyone. A beautiful story written by Oliver Jeffers. This story will also link to the topic:

All about me - With very young learners much of what they do revolves around them and to ease them into the nursery life, we will begin with a topic that they are familiar with and also will create a safe and caring environment.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development: This is a great theme for building self-esteem and awareness, making friends, learning to share and take turns. The children will learn about how unique and special they are. Throughout activities children will be encouraged to discover more about themselves first and then their families and friends in the Nursery.

What make me special? What is important about me? What things make us different? How are we like other people? What can I do that no one else can do?

Literacy Development: 'Incredible Me'. With reference to this lovely story the children will 'write' (or have us write) and draw all about what makes them incredible and different.

My name is... My favourite things are... Draw pictures to show things I like... This is my friend... My first day at Nursery...

Reading: Your children will be read to at the end of the session daily. The Nursery has lots of wonderful story books to read to the children. With an inviting reading area, they can look at their favourite stories on their own or share them with their friends.

Writing: The children will be shown how to hold a pencil and one-handed tools such as paint brushes using their thumb and first two fingers. Activities such as play dough, treading cotton reels and cutting will support and develop their fine motor skills and control when they begin to write their name and numbers.

ST MARY MAGDALENE

C OF E SCHOOL

WOOLWICH CAMPUS

Kingsman Street

London

SE18 5PW

020 8854 3531



KOINONIA

C OF E SCHOOLS FEDERATION





ST. MARY MAGDALENE

C OF E SCHOOL

WOOLWICH CAMPUS

*Excellence through innovation,
founded in faith since 1840.*

FEDERATION EXECUTIVE CO-HEADTEACHERS

Mrs Claire Harrison and Mrs Victoria Wainwright

HEAD OF SCHOOL, WOOLWICH CAMPUS

Mrs Tiffany King

Physical Development: P.E and dance takes place daily. Please be mindful of this and dress your child in clothing that they can manage independently with shoes or trainers that have velcro fastenings. Please note for your own child's welfare, hooped earrings are not to be worn. Only studs are allowed as stated in the school prospectus.

Mathematics Development: We will be learning how to count claps, jumps, turns and parts of our body this term. The children will be singing familiar counting songs such as 5 little ducks, 5 speckled frogs and 5 flying space men. They will learn how to order, name and recognise numbers from zero to five and its representation in their lives from seeing these numbers on their front door to identifying what numbered bus they get on to come to school.

Understanding the world:

We will encourage the children to use magnifying glasses to look at their fingerprints. We will be having discussions about our individual differences such as hair, eye colour, height, whilst pointing out that everyone has a unique set of fingerprints. Children will learn the names of their body parts, their bones and how to look after themselves by eating healthy and taking exercise.

ICT: Children will learn to use the iPad and cameras to take photographs of themselves and their friends.

Expressive Art & Design:

Self Portraits – we will discuss with the children what a self-portrait is. Using mirrors, we will encourage the children to look at their faces and paint, draw even make a collage of their face. We will ask them to talk about their painting and record their responses. The children will also paint their hands to make flowers, fruit and butterflies for the class 'Here we are' and 'Fruits of the Spirit' tree display.

Things you can do at home:

We are working with the children to write their names. Names should be written with a capital letter at the start and all other letters should be lower case. To help, it will be best if they are holding their pencil near the tip as shown in Fig 4.

ST MARY MAGDALENE

C OF E SCHOOL

WOOLWICH CAMPUS

Kingsman Street

London

SE18 5PW

020 8854 3531



KOINONIA

C OF E SCHOOLS FEDERATION





ST. MARY MAGDALENE

C OF E SCHOOL

WOOLWICH CAMPUS

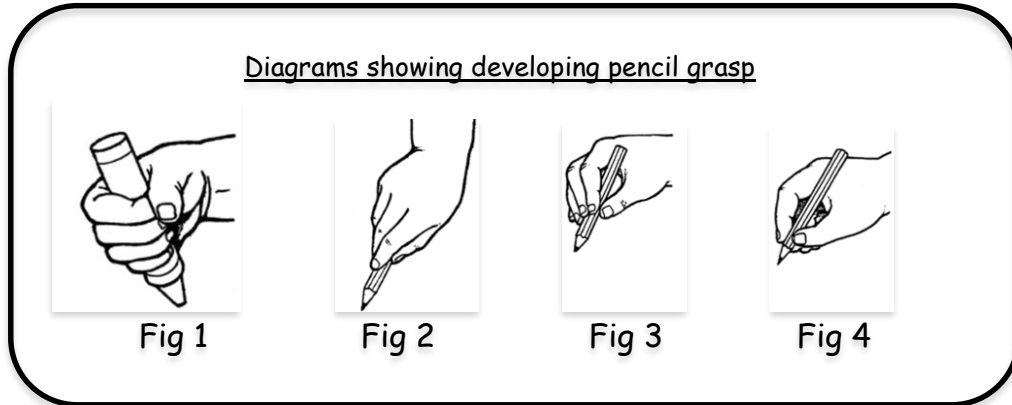
*Excellence through innovation,
founded in faith since 1840.*

FEDERATION EXECUTIVE CO-HEADTEACHERS

Mrs Claire Harrison and Mrs Victoria Wainwright

HEAD OF SCHOOL, WOOLWICH CAMPUS

Mrs Tiffany King



Reminders:

- 1) Please remember to label your child's coat, school jumper and book bags clearly.
- 2) A Nursery contribution of £5 a term really helps pay for cooking and play dough ingredients.
- 3) Half term: Monday 26th -Friday 30th October, 2020.

Kindest Regards,

Mrs. Turner, (class teacher) Ms. Eda (teaching assistant) and Ms. Jesmila (teaching assistant).

ST MARY MAGDALENE

C OF E SCHOOL

WOOLWICH CAMPUS

Kingsman Street

London

SE18 5PW

020 8854 3531



KOINONIA

C OF E SCHOOLS FEDERATION

