

Using Makaton at Weoley Castle Nursery School and Preschool


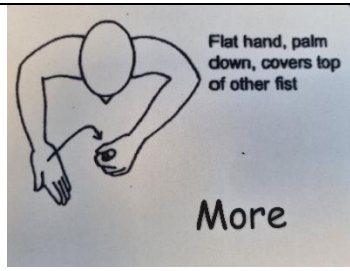
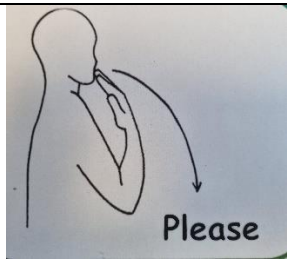
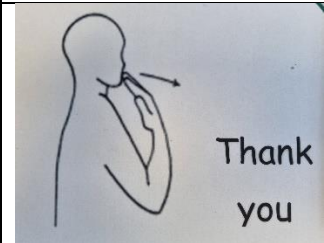
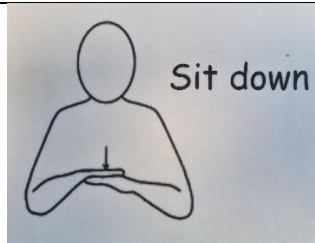
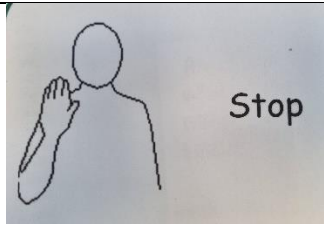
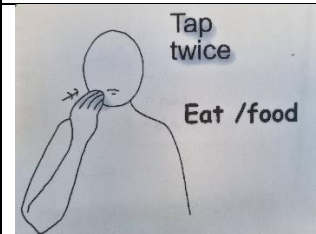
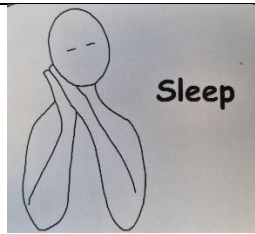
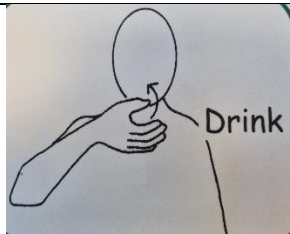
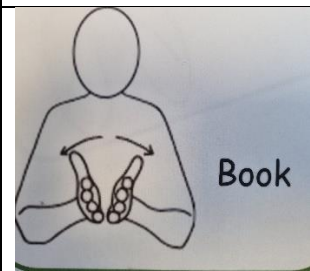
Makaton is a unique language programme that uses symbols, signs, and speech to enable people to communicate. It supports the development of essential communication skills such as attention and listening, comprehension, memory, recall and organisation of language and expression.

Enabling our children to communicate, even without words is very important to us.

The Makaton website states "Makaton has been shown to be useful for all sorts of people including those who struggle with understanding concepts, those who have poor literacy skills, including grammatical knowledge, and those with English as an Additional Language. By using Makaton, children and adults can take a more active part in life, because communication and language are the key to everything we do and learn."

This term at nursery, we are learning the signs that are related to the parts of our daily routine and that will help us to access parts of the day more independently.

Our signs for the Autumn Term are:

 <p>Good morning</p>	 <p>Flat hand, palm down, covers top of other fist</p> <p>More</p>	 <p>Please</p>
 <p>Thank you</p>	 <p>Sit down</p>	 <p>Stop</p>
 <p>Tap twice</p> <p>Eat /food</p>	 <p>Sleep</p>	 <p>Drink</p>
 <p>Book</p>		