

To the families of The Grove students,

We would like to officially introduce ourselves! Our names are Nikki and Amy and we are the Speech and Language Therapists for the Grove School.



Nikki

City
Circle
Central
Bakerloo
Post 16



Amy

Victoria
Piccadilly
Metropolitan
District
Jubilee

We hope that you are all fit and well and that staying home isn't too hard! We know that the current situation may be difficult for our children who might prefer to stick to their usual routine and to spend more time spent outside. We thought that one way that we could offer support to families was by providing access to learning about different ways of communicating.

We will be sending Makaton signs each week so that you can learn them along with your children if this is something that you find useful for them. If it is not something that your child normally uses but they would like to learn or you would like to learn, it is always helpful when lots of people can use the signs as it helps those children and families who do use them to be able to express themselves with more people! We will be looking at other ways that we can support our children who use different communication strategies over time, so watch this space!

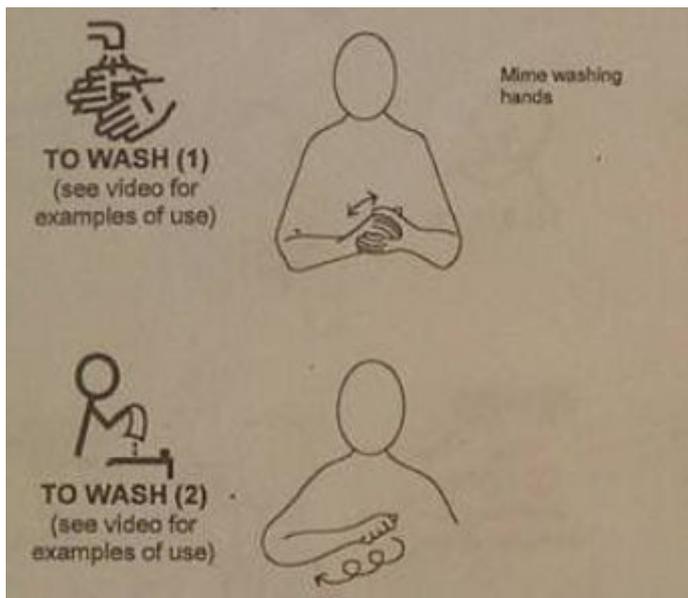
Makaton Signs

This week's Makaton Signs of the week for home are **HAPPY, WASH, FOOD, LUNCH/DINNER, MORE**

Happy /
Pleased



Happy video link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JoJC0TSFb5I>

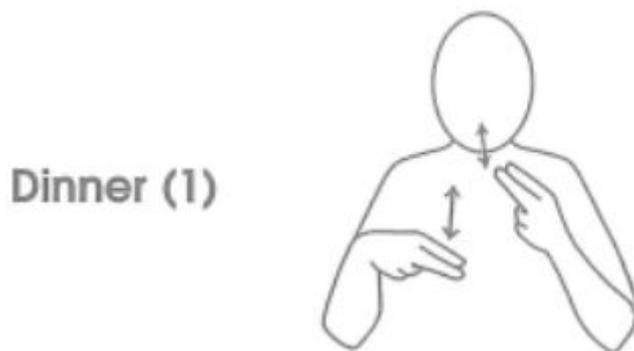


Wash video link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FjTkUMu1Jvk>



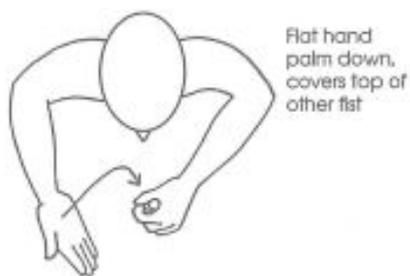
Food

Video link for food: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qbrh0JFhm_U

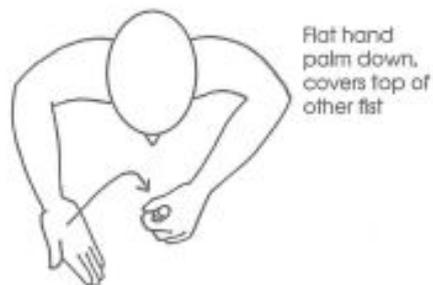


Dinner (1)

Video link for dinner/lunch: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=85Eaw2Fs4PM>



Flat hand
palm down,
covers top of
other fist



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palm down,
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other fist

More

Video link for more: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PWZvqAcV88c>

Thank you to the Makaton team - Nayemah, Helen, Carolina, Bernadette- for helping to bring weekly signs to you.

The Speech and Language Therapy Team (Nikki and Amy) will be in touch in the coming weeks with more ideas about how you can support your child's communication at home. In the meantime, if you would like to book a phone call to talk about your child's

specific communication needs at home or just to ask some questions, don't hesitate to contact us **via the school office on T: 020 3876 6555 or E: office@thegroveschool.co.uk**.

We wish all the very best to all of our families,

Nikki and Amy (SALT Team)