

Hello everyone!

I'm Miss Davies and this is Mrs Amor. We are your new teachers.



Miss Parr and Mrs McDonald work in Reception too.



We are so excited to meet you! Would you like to see your new classroom? There are so many exciting things to do and play with.



We have lots of blocks and Lego to build with.  
What will you build?

Do you like to play with trains, animals, dinosaurs  
and fairies? We have some of those too!



Here's our playdough table. Every Monday we make new playdough. You can help if you want to! What colour should it be? I wonder what you'll make...Maybe make a cake or a wiggly worm?



Our creative area is Mrs McDonald's favourite place to play. It has lots of paints, pens, glue and other bits and bobs to get stuck into!

Will you paint a picture for your family? Or make a hat? A wand? A drum?

Next we have our mark making area. Here you'll find things like paper, cards, envelopes, pens and pencils. What could you do with all those things? I know, you could draw a picture and post it to your house. Or write a shopping list or make a birthday card.

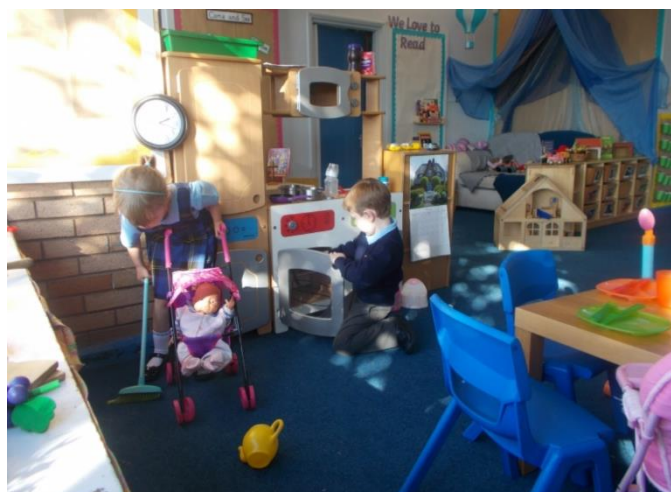






This is our games table. It's my favourite place to play. We have so many fun games like Snakes and Ladders, On the Bus, Puppy Pairs and Bingo!

Here is our Home Corner. You'll find dressing up clothes, pots and pans to cook with, babies to look after and our pet dog to take on a walk!



If you look closely, you'll spot our cosy reading corner in the background! What's your favourite story?

These are our class computers. There's so many different games and activities to do here.



We go outside everyday - even when it rains 😊 Do you like spending time outside?

Would you like to make some dandelion soup in our mud kitchen?



We always need helping hands in our garden. Miss Parr loves spending time here looking after the vegetables. Will you help her water them?



This is our stage. We have lots of dressing up clothes and instruments to use for your performances. Mrs Amor loves to sing songs - maybe you could help her put on a big show!



We have lots of room to zoom around on our bikes and scooters. How fast can you go?



And there's always time in the day to practise hopping along the tyres. They are so much fun!

We have lots of crates, planks, tyres and blocks to build with. What could you build?



We also have sand and water to explore, a shop to visit and lots of games like basketball, skittles, bat and ball and hula-hoops!



After all that playing, I bet you'll be super hungry! We have lots of yummy snacks to eat here and milk and water to drink. Do you like toast, crumpets, crackers and cereal? We have fruit and vegetables to munch on too.

You will also stay for lunch when you come to school. Mrs Gannon looks after you at lunch time. She will help to cut up your food and pour your drink and afterwards, she'll play games with you outside.

Now, let me introduce you to some more smiley faces you will see when you come to school.



This Mrs Hymers - she's our Headteacher.

Mrs Hymers has been at our school for such a long time. She even taught Miss Davies and we know that she taught some of your mummies and daddies too!

This is Mrs Talbot-Davies. She helps Mrs Hymers with lots of important jobs. She teaches the boys and girls in Year 2.



Now you've seen your new teachers and classroom, are you excited to come and play? What would you like to do when you get here? Ask your grown-ups to send an email to us to let us know 😊 our email address is [stmaryrcbp@sthelens.org.uk](mailto:stmaryrcbp@sthelens.org.uk)

Finally, we have some exciting news for you. We are going to be sending a special message to you every week to say hello and give you some games to play. Ask your grown-ups to read our special messages every Monday, Wednesday and Friday! And send us a message back if you want to by using our email address above and we will reply to you on the blog.

Speak to you soon! From, Miss Davies and Mrs Amor x

## Information for parents/carers...

Hello!

We really hope that you found the information in our New Intake booklet useful and that your child enjoyed looking at the photos and hearing about life in Reception. Thank you to those who have returned the All About Me booklet to school.

As we are unable to go ahead with our usual transition visits, we are exploring other ways to get to know your child. Finding out about your child's interests will really help us to tailor our classroom environment to meet their needs and provide activities and resources that interest them. This will make coming to 'big school' even more exciting and fun!

To help us get to know your child better, we would love you to send an email to us and share photos or your child's comments about things they're getting up to at home e.g. games and activities they like to play, upcoming events like birthdays, days out that they have enjoyed recently etc. We want to hear all about it and of course we will reply to your child 😊

We would really like to introduce our new Reception class to the rest of our school family so if you are happy for a photo of your child to appear on our class blog, please could you send one to our email address. (Please note that no names will be used alongside photographs).

Despite the current circumstances, we would love to meet you and your child before they start school in September; with social distancing measures in place. We are inviting you to a 'Meet and Greet' session with ourselves on 20<sup>th</sup> July, 21<sup>st</sup> July and 22<sup>nd</sup> July.

This will be a great way for us to get to know each other a little better and for you to share information about your child. We want to know all about them 😊 It's also a good opportunity for you to chat about any of your worries or concerns and ask questions.

To arrange a time for our Meet and Greet, please ring our office and speak to Mrs Ollerton or Mrs Leatherbarrow.

As you can see, we have now created a new blog section for our new Reception children called **Rising Reception**. We will be blogging every Monday, Wednesday and Friday to say hello to your child and provide some simple games and activities to play. We hope that this regular contact will help to familiarise your child with us both (as their teachers) and that positive relationships can begin to be established before your child's first day at school.

We really can't wait to start this new adventure with your child in September.

Miss Davies and Mrs Amor