

#### This week we are Mark Making Together!

Mark Making is about children expressing themselves through different patterns, lines, textures and shapes. This could be on paper, the floor, outside or on an object or surface. The skill of writing begins with opportunities for mark making!



Mark Making Together

Let's use big movements to make marks!

> We can use chalks and crayons taped to sticks to make marks on the ground or large pieces of paper.

We can collect different items to add to our sticks to make marks with. We could even use mud instead of paint!

\*Starting School Together challenge\* I can tell you what the marks, shapes, letters and pictures that I make mean.





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Did you know? Young children have a natural desire to explore and experiment. They really enjoy the sensory and physical experience of mark making.

> How you can help me... Ask me about the marks I am making, give me lots of praise and listen as I tell you about my picture.

What I like to do... Explore with different items to make marks e.g. pens on a whiteboard, smearing paint on silver foil, using chalks in the outdoors...

#### Mark Making Together

#### Let's use paints to make different marks!

We can make our own paint together! Chit-Chat Pitter-Pat will share how!

We can draw a large road together and use cars or animals through paint to make marks!

\*Starting School Together challenge\* I can join up my lines to make different shapes and I use these shapes to draw the things I know, like a face... 🙂





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What I like to do... I like to use my toys to make marks such as making tracks with wheeled toys and prints with dinosaur feet.

Did you know?

Those dots, lines and circles may look like scribbles, but they are a

writing.

child's first steps towards How you can help me... Provide lots of different surfaces for me to mark on such as paper, cardboard silver foil, stones, cereal boxes...

#### Mark Making Together

Let's explore different textures to make marks in!

**Did you know?** Mark making helps develop imagination and creativity as children can express themselves in different ways and use their senses to explore.

#### We can explore different textures together with our fingers like: flour, sand, shaving foam or corn flour mix!

I can add water or colours to my different textures and explore further...

\*Starting School Together challenge\* Sometimes I write a recognisable letter with the sound I make in a word. Next I will try to write the letters in my name!





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How you can help me... Give me different textures to explore with my fingers such as flour, sand or paint and don't worry if I get messy – that is part of the fun!



What I like to do... I like the freedom to explore ... So set me up with an activity and maybe you can do some work or even have a cup of tea (to the end) ©