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Dear Parents/Carers of Marine Academy Primary **Reception** pupils,

This term, Reception will be following the theme of **'Who am I?'** for their first topic this year. During this theme, they will be finding out about all the amazing things they can do, and finding out what makes them and their new class friends unique. We will help them to understand the similarities and differences between them and how that makes them so amazing.



Over the term, your child will take part in guided, small-group activities which are outlined below, based around key stories. Please support your child as much as you can at home by helping them to talk about and share their learning with you.

The Colour Monster Starts School

- **Designing and constructing a home:** Children to think about what makes their home special, considering their favourite rooms in the home. How is school and home different?
- **Creating pebble families:** Children to talk about who they live with and who are special to them. When you leave school, who do you look forward to seeing?
- **Exploring emotions:** Children to identify different facial expressions, recognising how they may be feeling. Can they make a happy or sad face using playdough?

Not Your Typical Dragon

- **Perform in a talent show:** Children to express their strengths by performing in the Theatre.
- **Using mirrors to identify our features:** Children to discuss their individual characteristics.
- **Self-portraits using the style of Andy Warhol:** Children to paint their face by using contrasting colours.

The Smartest Giant in Town

- **Playing a team game:** Children to practise their collaboration, friendship and teamwork skills to play a game.
- **Making new friends:**
Children to challenge themselves to make a new friend. Can they do something kind to help their friend, just like the giant did?



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- Designing new clothes:
Children to design some new sets of clothes for the giant to wear on different occasions, e.g. to a dinner party.

If you ever have any comments or questions about your child's learning, please speak to their class teacher or email yearreception@marineacademy.org.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr Tom Green

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