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With God, all things are possible.

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## <u>Oracy</u>

'The ability to express oneself fluently and grammatically in speech'.

Dear Parents and Carers,

In SMA, we believe that talk is at the heart of success and we aim to provide children with the skills to become confident speakers, in preparing them for the wider world. We feel that 'Oracy' is important as it helps children to understand and use language, develop higher order thinking skills, increase self-esteem, including many social and emotional aspects and build vocabulary.

Our curriculum provides a range of opportunities for children to use their voice in school and we are keen to continue this learning at home. Each half term, we will send out an Oracy activity that will consist of a theme with some key questions. The purpose of the activity is for children to create a discussion with an adult, answering the questions. There will be opportunities in school for children to discuss their answers and views and depending on the topic, to bring in any related artefacts.

We look forward to this new and exciting venture.

Let's get everybody talking in SMA!

Many thanks for your support,

Miss McAulay Oracy Lead



Truth - Fairness - Justice - Joy