

Dear Family, in class today, we explored the sense of touch and the texture of clay, and we made clay cups.

Did you know?

- The sense of touch is one of the five senses.
- When we touch something we can feel temperature, texture, and form.
- We used our hands to make clay cups. We molded the clay into cup shapes.
- They dried in the air.

Ask your child:

- Describe the clay – what did it look like? How did it feel and smell?
- Explain how you made your cup.
- Tell me the important parts and features of a cup.

Vocabulary:

- clay – a kind of wet earth. It becomes hard when it is heated or dried.
- manipulate – to move with the hands.
- texture – the feel or look of a surface.
- pinch – to press something between the finger and thumb.
- poke – to push with the finger.
- gradually – something that happens slowly.

Activity:

With your child, look through the items in your kitchen for cups, bowls, and plates. Talk about what they are used for and if any of them are made by hand. Help your child choose one and draw a picture of it. Send it to school to share.