

"St Alban and Stephen Infant School is a good school but we are always striving to improve. In particular we look for ways to enhance learning, especially for those children who may struggle with literacy and numeracy. We have always used visual, aural and kinaesthetic methods with young children, but we have been shown a number of activities which can really support visual learners and this has been a great step forward. Olive Hickmott has taught our teachers and teaching assistants how children learn visually and how sometimes children confuse themselves. She has shown the staff how to integrate their new skills into the classroom, adding to their Continuous Professional development. Olive has individually taught a few children who have been particularly challenged and coached my staff who have seen for themselves the real benefits of visual learning, being grounded and letting go of stress. We are now developing the ideas into our reception class teaching with the objective that all children build an excellent multi-sensory foundation for literacy and numeracy from the very start". Paula Holden, Head teacher.