

Dear Parents

Reception have had such a challenging fun week! We have started our 'rainbow challenge' where four activities have a coloured peg and when the children complete the activity they get a coloured peg to put by their photograph. This has worked really well this week, the children are excited to complete their 'rainbow' and look forward to seeing the new jobs/activities that have been put out. There are two additional challenges in the class without coloured pegs that the children go to once they've finished their rainbow.

On Monday Reception had a great Da Capo lesson, where they learnt different songs and rhythms. They clapped to the beat and listened to a rhythm then copied it. This has been continued throughout the week, and the children have been getting better each time.

The children have heard the story 'Biscuit Bear' this week. The children were able to listen to the story and guess think about what will happen next. Some children noticed the similarities in the story to 'The Gingerbread Man', as a class we compared the two stories to find things that are similar and things that are different. The children then made their own biscuit bears out of playdough, however they wanted to keep them, so they made them out of clay. For our writing challenge this week, the children found pictures from the story and wrote what was happening in the picture and as an additional challenge they wrote what they think will happen next.

Maths this week has been really fun! The children started off the week by learning about capacity. In the water tray there were water beads and different containers. The children worked well to order the containers by size and by capacity. There was great team work and new friendships formed. We carried on learning about subtraction, and used Numicon to work out sums. The children then wrote their own sums.

The favourite activities this week have been child led. The children dressed up as mermaids, pretending to be teachers. They were given a pack of Read Write Inc flashcards and they taught each other the sounds. This led to a sorting activity, where they sorted out real and nonsense words. The children's learning was great and they worked together with different friends to solve problems.

Our IPC topic after the break is 'Transport', please can you send in photographs of your children in different modes of transport for us to use on a display.

Have a lovely half term
Shabbat Shalom

Reception Team

