Dear Parents

We have had a super fun Science Week this week! To link literacy with Science Week, we read the story 'The Real Story of Humpty Dumpty'. The children have been designing and planning their models to make sure that Humpty Dumpty wouldn't break when they were dropped off the wall (some did!) The children worked in teams of 3 and 4 (picked out with our lucky lollies) to plan their design, make their model and drop their egg. It was lovely to see different children working together and new friendships being formed.

In maths this week we have continued with addition, subtraction and sorting. The children learnt how to count in 2s, by reading the book 'Hoe Many Legs' by Kes Gray (who they know if one of Miss Genn's favourite authors). They loved counting all the legs in the book – even the table legs! After we read the story, the children independently sorted out buttons and sorting vehicles in pairs and counted them in 2s. It's quite a tricky conception but the children have grasped it and are really enjoying the challenge. After Purim we will learn to count in 5s and 10s.

The children are very excited for Purim next week and have been busy designing costumes for the teachers, we especially like Rabbi Herman dressed up as a gingerbread man and Mrs Baron as a bunny!

This week we have been working very hard on the Purim story. The children have created the most wonderful story maps charting the Purim story as they remember it using pictures and writing their own words. We created crowns as the Purim story is full of Kings and Queens. Conveniently the letter of the week this week is a mem - m. A word that begins with mem is Melech (king) or Malka (queen). We have had great fun working with our melech and malka finger puppets. Thank you for working with your children, there hebrew reading is amazing!

This week Reception started learning to say words for Purim such as: לֵיצָן (Leitzan – clown, masculine), לֵיצָנִית (Leitzanit – clown, feminine) מֵלְכָּה (Melech – king), מַלְכָּה (Malka – queen) and שָׁמֵחַ פּוּרִים (Purim sameach – happy Purim). The class learnt the song בַּחְמָּד קָטָן לֵיצָן (Leitzan katan nechmad – nice little clown) which you can find on https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D4utHy2NMK

Shabbat Shalom Reception Team



SCIENCE WEEK 'BAKE OFF' PHOTO COMPETITION!

Use food to show an aspect of the Human Body! Take a photo! Enjoy eating





HOW TO ENTER: Bring in your **photo** of your 'Science Bake Off' for the Photo Science Competition. Write the title of your photo, your name and class on the back of it. Pop it in the 'Science Bake Off' Box by the office. (Do NOT bring in any food – ONLY photos) **CLOSING DATE:** Wed 20th March

Good Luck!

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