

Dear Parents,

The children have had a lovely week this week. They were fantastic in our Whole School Music Concert on Monday and sang their Pirate song brilliantly. On Monday morning the children created their own props for the song, these included a large tissue paper tree, eye patches, pirate hats and a pirate ship.

In PE the children have been listening to different types of music and thinking about which dance moves they could do to to the music. Their favourite song is 'Saturday Night' by Whigfield. The children were split in to five dance groups which they have named (three of which are glitter based!) and they worked together to come up with a dance routine. In a few weeks the children will be performing their dances to Nursery and Mrs Baron, which they are very excited about. They're particularly looking forward to designing and creating invitations for their dance show.

On Wednesday the children came in to the classroom to find white lilies on Miss Genn's chair. We had a discussion about where they thought they came from and how they got there. After lots of ideas, Miss Genn told the children that they were from Mrs Baron. In the morning the children drew pictures of the flowers. It was great to hear them talk about the different part of the flowers that they had remembered from last half term. In the afternoon Miss Genn asked the children if they knew how to change the colour of the flowers. The children had a great discussion about how the colours could change without anyone touching the flowers. We put food colouring in containers and put the flowers in them. The children wrote predictions on which flower would change colour first. The children were very excited to see different coloured flowers when they arrived in school on Thursday.

Last week was Bike to School week, however due to Sports Day and the weather, Reception were unable to ride their bikes. The children had a balance bike session this week instead. They were fantastic and followed the instructions on how to get on and off the bikes correctly and what they had to do once they were on the bikes. We also talked about the importance of wearing a helmet, even when the children are scooting home.

This week we started our own Siddur. We are working on the Tefillot that we say every morning and what it means to us and why we should be so thankful to Hashem for everything He has given us. Together we will be looking at the tefillot and how we can personalise them. This week we worked on Shema and chose to draw around our hands as we cover our eyes when we say this prayer. We also learnt the letter Kuf and couldn't eat our bananas until we read the letter on its skin!

Our week's attendance was 97.23%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.

Shabbat Shalom  
Reception Team

