

Dear Parents,

This week has been the busiest week for Reception! On Monday we had the most amazing Pirate Day!! The children and teachers dressed up as Pirates, learnt how to talk like a pirate and even got funny pirate names. The children made tea-stained paper to draw their treasure maps on and made 'Wanted' posters for naughty pirates.

On Tuesday the children had their Aleph Bet Party. We do hope you agree with us that we are so proud of the children. They worked so hard remembering all their lines and singing their songs and when the PA system went down they just carried on like true professionals!

The children are so excited to show off their knowledge and on Wednesday were attempting to write the Aleph Bet all over their work. We also made Aleph Bet cookies and the children were so good at making the cookies and of course eating them! We also started practising our Reception Assembly.

Wednesday was Year 6 takeover day. The Year 6 children were the teachers and Teaching Assistant and they planned a fun Literacy and Maths lessons and even marked their work. The Reception children loved their new teachers, and were so well behaved even though it was an exciting and busy day. In the afternoon we had our last transition activity with Year 1, where the children received a letter from their Year 1 buddy.

On Thursday morning the whole school had an Ivrit sharing assembly. Reception stood up at the front of the hall and sang a lovely song about Shabbat (the same as the Aleph Bet party). This was then followed by the visit from Zoolab, which was so exciting! Lucy (the animal lady) brought in a cockroach, a giant snail, a stick insect, a scorpion, a millipede and an albino corn snake. The children listened beautifully to all the information about the animals and were very brave and gentle when they touched them.

Finally it was Friday, and the children were ready for their last Kabbalat Shabbat in foundation Stage! After Kabbalat Shabbat the children wrote about their learning and what they want to be better at, which will be used as display work in Year 1. Next week the children will be writing their first piece of work in their Year 1 English book!

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Reception Assembly 3.10 – 3.30**  
**Children can bring in a teddy to celebrate filling the Warm and Fuzzy jar**

Our week's attendance was 97.86%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.

Shabbat Shalom  
Reception Team

