Dear Parents,

The children had a great start to the week playing music with Da Capo. They were learning to read some music and to clap to the beat of a song. They then were able to play some active games by dancing to music and pretending to be leaves.

During table top we have practised writing sentences and also writing our names on paper using different colours. We have also been trying to make the tallest tower using the cubes and counting whose tower was the biggest using

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our numeracy skills. We have cut around some various patterns, testing our fine motor skills and we also rolled a dice and added cubes to a pile and then counted these to test our addition skills.



This week in Phonics, the children have learnt some new sounds including 'ch, v, w, th and nk'. We have tried to find these sounds in our weekly book called 'Man on the Moon'. The children have been drawing aliens and writing a sentence about the alien's legs using their phonic sounds to help them. These 'Wanted' posters were placed around the classroom. The children have also decoded words they found in their books and read them to a partner.

The children have been 'selling' clothes they drew in the home-corner and also writing their own shopping lists to help

them shop. They made their own labels for these items with a price on them. We have also had some flags around the home-corner to see which places the children have visited before and they drew some items from around the world. Some children used old fabrics to make clothes that have been placed in the home-corner. The children have also used the computers to help sort some cvc words

(3-letter words) into groups and match these to their objects.



Our new Hebrew letter of the week is Hey. We have had hopping races as we have learnt that the letter hey has only 1 full leg and must hop!! The children loved this and it was a great way for them to remember and to embed their knowledge of the letters learnt - both name and sound.

We have also learnt about the story of Esav and Yaakov and with our very own twins we had a fun and lively discussion about twins looking the same but being different. We created our own twin masks and wrote about how our twin differed from us.

Please can I ask you all to carry on practising the sounds with the children and making 3-letter words with them. Please could I ask if you have any old or spare pillowcases you no longer need to send them in.

Our week's attendance was 95.77%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96 %.

Shabbat shalom,

Reception Team