

Dear Parents,

What a lovely week we have had in Reception!

The children have spent the week learning about Israel in preparation for Yom Ha'atzmaut. They baked blue and white marble cake and cupcakes to celebrate Israel's Birthday. On Thursday the children went on an adventure around the different parts of Israel. They made Bedouin tents in The Negev, learnt Israeli dancing and even created the skyline of Jerusalem.

We also continued learning our Hebrew letters and our new letter is 'taf', which helps us to make the word 'Shabbat'. Next week we will celebrate Shabbat UK and the children are looking forward to learning more about Shabbat.

In Literacy, the children have started to write their own sentences, with finger spaces. We will be looking at capital letters towards the end of this half term. The children were given sentences to read and match the correct picture to. They also had sentence starters to use to then finish the sentence, for example 'I wish...'

The children have continued with doubling this week, we looked at how the amount of things actually doubled, the children noticed that it was like sharing and grouping but adding the same amount again rather than sharing out an amount. Our STEM sentences were '**\_ and \_ make \_ double \_ is \_**'

Finally, a big thank you to Mr. Somerston for coming in and talking to the children all about being a pilot, it was a great treat and a lovely opportunity for the children to learn about different occupations that link with our topic of 'Transport'.

Our week's attendance was 87.50%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.

Shabbat Shalom

Reception Team