

Dear Parents,

The children have finished creating their own elephant for Black History Month and they look lovely on display.

The children have also been busy making words combined with their fine motor skills by threading letters onto some pipe cleaners. They have even had a go at using these objects to write their names. The children are continuing to practise their counting and number recognition by rolling a dice and hitting the number on a sheet of paper. They are also using the peg boards to make a picture which is useful for their fine motor skills. The children have been creative by using shoe boxes and the wooden blocks to create their own clothes shops. They have also been using their mathematical skills to solve puzzles of different sizes throughout the week.



In our Phonics sessions we have learnt some new sounds including *h,sh,r,j*. Please could you practise these sounds with your children. We started to read 'We're Going On A Bear Hunt' which the children know very well. They discussed ideas and we put them on a story map. I gave the children their own story map and they had a go at making their own stories based on the book.



The children have also had to think of different ways to stop the bottles in the water-tray from floating. The children have been using the rocks, some playdough and even some of the plastic letters. They have had some great discussions about this activity.

In Jewish Studies this week we have learnt the letter gimmel 'g'. We call it 'go, go, gimmel'. We had races on the astro turf as our legs wanted to ggggo! Thank you for everyone who has completed the worksheets and please continue to do so. The sheets are renewed on Monday. We have also been learning about Avraham and linking with anti-bullying week we have seen how Avraham did the right thing when people around him didn't and how we can learn from him.

Please could I ask if you have any spare boxes could you bring them in as we use them in our home corner to design our own equipment.

Our week's attendance was 99.23%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.

Shabbat shalom,

Reception Team