

Dear Parents,

This week the children have really enjoyed Road Safety week, practising how to cross safely in the playground and crossing a real road safely as well! I am really proud of how nicely the children have been coming in every morning and how confident they are in their table top routines. During table top time the children have practised writing their phonic sounds, drawn a recount of their weekend using a storyboard, matched numicon to their numbers, added numicon and used their fine motor skills to place as many Cheerios as they can on some pipe cleaners.



During Phonics the children have been practising all their sounds and have learnt 'v', 'y', 'w' and 'th'. The children are blending more confidently and making excellent progress. We have been reading 'Six Dinner Sid' and using a storyboard to retell the story. The children have been labelling their drawings and explaining verbally what is happening in their stories. They have been writing the sounds in various ways including sand. They have also been using their decoding skills to read words and then match these with other words that sound the same.

The children have been using the home-corner which we have made into a shoe shop and pretending to sell objects by recognising some numbers on the materials. They even used playdough to make pairs of shoes to sell! The children have also used playdough to help with their counting skills, by rolling it into balls to match with the Numicon. They have been using the computers more and have used these to add numbers to 15, paint an elephant and to read a word and match the word to the correct photo (using phonicsplay).

Our new Hebrew letter of the week is Daled. We have revised the letters already learnt - the children have remembered the sounds and the name of the letters so well. Apologies if you have received the letter Vav instead of Daled. This has now been rectified and please complete the daled worksheet rather than the Vav one. Thinking positively it was a great opportunity to show the children that everyone makes mistakes. We have also been continuing with the Avraham story. This week the story continues with Yitzchak looking for a wife. He finds Rivka at the well. We learnt about the importance of water and created our own well with sand, water and kitchen roll! Did you know camels can drink into 200 litres of water-we were so excited we counted blocks up to 200!



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 98.46 %. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.

Shabbat shalom,

Reception Team