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Reception Newsletter

**Phonics**

Last week we focused on the sounds j, v, w, x. We practised writing short sentences such as “The cat is at the vet.” We have also been practising recognising our tricky words: the, to, no, go, I and into. In Literacy, we are looking at stories about families focusing on The Tiger Who Came to Tea. We have also looked at The Family Book. This is a wonderful book which celebrates how all families are different but all are special.

**Maths**

Last week we focused on the numbers 4 and 5. We practised forming the numbers and looked at different ways of representing them. We enjoyed exploring using the Numicon number shapes looking at how we can make 4 and 5 using them. Our number of the week was number 5. We practised recognising this in different ways and counting out 5 objects.

**Topic**

We have continued with our new Religious Education topic Prophecy and Promise. We have been listening to scripture and talking about the life of Mary and how different it was to our lives now. In our Celebration of the Word sessions we talked about diversity and how we should all live in harmony. We have also been thinking about hibernation and talking about how animals prepare for the long winter. On Monday afternoon we had a fabulous time with Coach Dave practising our cycling skills.

**Reading Books**

Please can you practise reading at least **three** times each week and ensure that you write a short comment in your child’s blue reading record each time.

**Homework**

- Can you practise writing some sentences at home using the tricky words we have learned so far? You could practise the following sentences: The dog is big. I go to the vet.

Many thanks for your continued support, please contact us if you have any questions, comments or concerns.

The Reception Team



