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## **Reception news**

We have been super busy in Reception as always, we've started the new term with a visit from our local Police Community Support Officers Asha and Rachel. The children were given the opportunity to ask questions about their role and how important their roles are within the community. Asha and Rachel also allowed our children to look at their Police badges, wear Police hats along with their safety vests. From this visit the children were able to share what they wanted to be when they grow up, we had a mixture of firefighter, zoo keeper, builder,



We've brought skittles into our number work by learning how to subtract; from this the children could visually see that we started with the larger number and once we knocked the skittles down the children were able to see that the amount left standing was smaller. The children were able to transfer this knowledge and began to write the corresponding number sentences.

During English week we buddied up with children from Year 5, who gathered information from the children, so they could write a story based upon their buddy. Each class were given the challenge to learn a poem, which will be performed to Key Stage 1 during an assembly. Our poems are linked to describing different animals taken from Rumble in the Jungle by Giles Andreae and David Wojtowycz. During the week parents and carers were invited to work alongside their child to create a front cover for a story based on their inference skills. Both children and parents alike enjoyed having the opportunity to discuss what the story was about, providing possible titles and their drawings were fantastic. We also had fun dressing up as our favourite book character for World Book Day; all the children proudly wore their costumes.



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We have also had lots of fun being creative when designing and building our animal models with our grown-ups. It was lovely to see so many adults supporting the children to help bring their designs to life. We truly appreciate the fantastic comments, which were left regarding this event and everyone worked hard to create such beautiful models, which are displayed around the school. The children are extremely proud of their models and were beaming from ear to ear.



As a reminder please can you return the permission slips for swimming and our trip to Robinswood Hill. Also if you are sending your child with grapes for morning snack, please ensure they are cut length ways, thank you.