## Reception class newsletter

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We've got to start off by thanking all of the wonderful parents and grandparents who accompanied us on our library trip on Tuesday. It was a long walk for our little ones but thankfully the sun was shining. The children were incredibly well behaved and our fantastic adult helpers kept them happy, cheerful and safe as they walked.


At the library, an amazing librarian named Annette read the children 'Winnie the witch' and then the children had the opportunity to browse the books and play with the Lego. Annette reminded the children that there'll be lots of activities on at the library at half term. The children were amazed to hear that all activities at the library are free and not "sixty dollars" as one of our little girls guessed!

Our focus book this week has been "Owl babies" by Martin Waddell. We've re-read the book every day and the children are now able to join in as we read, especially with the repeated refrain of "I want my mummy!" If anyone would like to borrow this book to read at home with their child, just ask one of the Reception team.


In math's this week our focus has been on identifying, continuing and copying repeated patterns. We've done this with a range of objects and also with action and sound patterns. This is a fun activity that you can continue at home with your child. Ask them to continue a pattern you've started (eg. leaf, stick, leaf, stick, leaf, stick,) or can they spot a mistake you've made in a repeated pattern? If your child finds this easy then try some more challenging patterns or try making patterns that don't go in a horizontal line, eg that go
around in a circle. We always suggest that you show three units of repeat in a pattern before asking your child to continue it.


Looking ahead, we're excited to be able to invite all parents in for story time with Reception class after half term. You should be receiving an invitation very soon. If you're unable to make it then a grandparent would be very welcome in your place. And of course it's parents' evening next week and we're very much looking forward to meeting you all then.

Thanks again for all of your support.
The Reception team.

