## Reception News

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Hi everyone,

This week, the children have been exploring the world around them using their sense of touch. This has included guessing objects hidden in a feely bag and describing their texture as well as experiencing a feely walkway, where they walked bare-foot through various materials! The children also used their sense of touch to explore our Wild At Heart area around the school grounds by feeling the various textures of trees, plants and other natural materials.

In Phonics lessons, we have focused on the letter sounds **m**, **d** and **g**. We have been word building using magnetic letters and perfecting our letter formation. We have also been learning to read 'tricky' words such as I, to and the.

The number focus has been 4 so we have learned how to write the numeral as well as identifying sets of 4 and finding different ways to make 4 (1+3, 2+2, 3+1).

The shapes of the week have been squares and cubes. We have made shape pictures and completed shape puzzles. We also made models using these shapes and spotted them in the environment.

The children have learned about why they are special to God and we have shared stories of the meaning behind some of their names.

The Gazette Newspaper came in to school to take our class photograph this week. These will be published as part of the School Starters Section on

Friday 23rd October

so reserve your copy now!

16th October 2020

## **Happy Birthday**



This week we have celebrated the birthday of Harry Cosh

## **Fruit Tasting**

Next week, we are focusing on our sense of taste. We will be introducing the children to some tropical fruits and encouraging them to try something new or unusual. If you see any interesting fruits when you are next out shopping, you could try them at home. Please send in any 'food' magazines or leaflets from supermarkets for the children to cut out pictures of their favourite food. Thank you!

## How is my child doing?

All the children in school will be receiving a short written report at the beginning of Next Half Term to update you on how your child is getting on at school. The Reception Teachers will also be sending you some observations of your child to give you a taste of some of the things they have been doing since they started in September. In the meantime, please let us know if you have any questions or concerns that we can help you with. Contact us via email or ask to speak to the class teacher after school.