



This week Reception have been learning about "People who help us." As part of this learning the children told us all about the people who help such as doctors, teachers, delivery drivers, builders, firefighters, policemen and parents too! Our focus this week was on the role of Police officers in the community; helping people to stay safe and follow the law. We were fortunate enough to have a special visit from two real life Police Officers who talked to the children about different aspects of their jobs, their uniforms, vehicles and equipment. The children were invited to try on various bits of the officers uniform including vests, jackets, helmets and even a riot shield. The best part was when we got to hear the siren and make the lights flash on the car.

Home challenge: Do you know what number to call in an emergency and can tell someone your home address if you got lost?



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Phonics

We continued our Phase 2 phonics learning this week. We introduced the following phonemes and digraphs:



For each grapheme we learnt its corresponding phoneme (sound); 'z' as in zebra and "zz" as in "buzz", 'qu' as in quick, and "ch" as in chip. This week we continued to have a go at writing CVC words as well as reading some short captions.

Home challenge: Continue to practise letter formation using the sheets sent home with your child. Use the worksheet attached to have a go at sounding out (segmenting) and blending the words then colouring the correct

Maths

Our maths learning this week we have been focussing on the number 5. We learnt a rhyme to help us with this concept called "5 little peas in a pea pod pressed". We watched the Numberblocks episode about the number 5 as part of this learning and talked about how we have "5 fingers on one hand". The children practiced making collections of objects to represent the number 5 and represented this by placing one object on each finger. In our adult led learning we look at a collection of buttons and looked at different ways to sort the buttons and counting how many of each were in each collection. This activity helped us develop key mathematical skill of counting carefully.

Can you go on a 5 hunt? Where is this number hiding? How many ways can you see 5?

Home challenges are helpful ideas for you in supporting your child to consolidate their learning at home. Please feel free to choose those you feel are achievable for you and share on Tapestry