Dear Families:

Today we read the book, *How Big is a Foot?,* a story about a king who wants to give a bed to the queen for her birthday, but runs into a problem measuring for the bed when he uses his own foot as a unit of measurement. The objective of the book is to use the standard measurement of feet to figure out the length and width of an appropriate-sized bed for the queen.

After we read the story, the children traced outlines of their own bodies on butcher paper, cut out the tracings and then used their feet to measure an appropriate-sized bed for themselves.

Measurement problems are a part of our daily experiences and come up in a variety of different situations, from cooking and traveling to telling time. You can help your child learn more about measurement by engaging in activities such as counting how many “feet” it is from the bathroom to the bedroom, measuring out loud when baking or looking at the numbers on a clock and stating what time it is throughout the day.

Happy measuring!