

Dear Parents,

The children have had a busy week this during our Storytelling week.

English

The children performed in a workshop by the West End in Schools 'Bringing Books to Life' organisation. The children participated in brining 'The Gangsta Granny' by David Walliams to life through drama and dance. The children this week enjoyed their time reading to Year 1 children. The children were paired with a Year 1 child and read to them a selection of picture books. This was a lovely opportunity for the children to practise reading from expression. This week we continued our work with our class novel: The Boy and the Bear in a Boat. The children discovered that one of the bear's sandwiches escaped. The children story boxed their plot for their writing and planned the language they were going to include. The children have begun writing their stories which will then be uplevelled next week.

Maths

In Maths this week the children have continued and finalised their work on area and perimeter. The children have been introduced to finding the area and perimeter of composite shapes. The children have learnt how to separate the shape to order to calculate the overall area. The children have also been introduced to estimating the area of irregular shapes through counting squares. The children applied this knowledge to comparing the size of Puerto Rico and Jamaica.

Other Areas of the Curriculum

This week the children went on their exciting trip around London! The children visited the Bank of England, Goldsmith Hall and Guidhall. The children were exposed to beautiful views and learnt about the geography and history of London from our amazing blue badge tour guide.

Jewish Studies

The main focus in Jewish Studies this week has been Parashat hashavua. In Mishpatim, we learnt the Mitzvah of not following the crowd to do evil (Shemot 23:2) and we discussed some examples from Tanach and modern times as well as ways in which we can apply this to our own lives. Children also continued working on their Chumash revision by writing letters from the eved to Avraham and they continued to prepare for the Shabbaton assembly.

Ivrit

Year 5 carried on with the topic בְּגָדִים (Bgadim – clothes). The focus of this week was on colours: כָּחוֹל (Kachol – blue), חוּם (Chum – brown), כָּתוּם (Katom – orange) אֲפֹר (Afor – grey), שָׁחֹר (Shachor – black), אָדוּם (Adom – red), יָרוֹק (Yarok – green), סָגוּל (Sagol – purple), וָרוֹד (Varod – pink), לָבָן (Lavan – white), צָהוֹב (Tzahov – yellow) and תְּכֵלֶת (Tchelet – turquoise).

The class started learning the song נולד הצבע כך: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VT1R37o-d3I>

Ideas for things you could do at home:

- Please continue to read with your child and ask them questions to develop their comprehension skills.
- Practise spelling the Year 4 and 5 Common Exception Words and using them within sentences.
- Mathletics and TT Rockstars are both great ways to improve and practice number fluency and reinforce our learning from class.

Reminders

- The attendance this week was 92.75%. Please note weekly attendance should be 96% and above.
- Please remember that your child needs to bring in their PE kit on Tuesday and Thursday.

- Please remember that your child needs to bring in their reading books every day.
- Library books can be changed each week during our library session on Tuesday and during library club. Please remind your child to bring in his/her library book.
- If you have any old newspapers, please send them in as we use them to cover tables when doing art work.
- Please ensure your child has a good night sleep each night
- Please remember to send your Mathathon Sponsorship money to the school office in an envelope labelled with your child's name and Mathathon.
- Times Tables Rock Stars is a carefully sequenced programme of daily times tables practice. This format has very successfully boosted times tables recall speed for our pupils in Year 2 upwards over the last two years. We are now delighted to announce that we have purchased a subscription to the Time Tables Rock Stars App. This will enable the children to access the resource with ease. If you would like to download the app for free, for use at home with your child's login details (found in their home-school liaison book / diary), please look for the icon below:



Shabbat Shalom,
Miss Shemtob, Ms Pieters and the Year 5 Team.