

Dear Parents,

The children have had an exciting and busy week in preparation for Pesach.

English

This week the children have been focusing on different areas of spelling, grammar and punctuation. The children began the week by learning about the grammatical features: colon and semi-colon. The children explored when to use both of these features and applied them to different sentences. The children have also reviewed suffixes and prefixes. The children have matched up appropriate suffixes and prefixes for different sentences and have been able to identify them within words.

Maths

In Maths this week the children have been introduced to improper fractions and mixed numbers. The children have been identifying the two through pictorial representations. The children have also taken their understanding of this and applied it to multiplying mixed numbers and improper fractions by whole numbers.

Other Areas of the Curriculum

This week the children have begun their activities in preparation of our Pesach craft. The children have begun their work with sewing different fabrics together and sewing buttons, ribbons and other materials. The children will be making a pillow for Pesach; the children have planned their design, and have begun sewing the different materials together. The children have also been identifying their favourite foods to eat on Pesach in preparation in creating questionnaires to help identify the schools favourite kosher for Pesach meal. Lastly, the children have continued their work with creating leaflets about the importance of hygiene before cooking next week.

Jewish Studies

Our focus in Jewish Studies has been on preparing for Pesach as well as preparing for our Shabbaton Assembly, which took place on Thursday. We practised all the songs that we will be singing at the seder and started working on making our class haggadot as well as our Pesach crafts. The children prepared powerpoints and scripts to present to the whole school and to share all the amazing activities they did on the Shabbaton. They delivered all their presentations confidently and in a very engaging way.

Ivrit:

Year 5 carried on with the topic בגדיים (Bgadim – clothes). The focus of this week was on clothes in singular such as: Year 5 has started a new topic on בגדיים (Bgadim – clothes). The vocabulary of this topic is: חולצה (Chultza – top), חצאית (Chatzayit – skirt), כובע (Kova – hat), שמלה (Simla – dress), מעיל (Meil – coat), סוודר (Sveder – jumper), לובש (Lovesh – wearing, masculine), לובשת (Loveshet – wearing, feminine), and we combined clothes with colours: כחול (Kachol – blue), חום (Chum – brown), כתום (Katom – orange), אפור (Afor – grey), שחור (Shachor – black), אדום (Adom – red), ירוק (Yarok – green), סגול (Sagol – purple), ורוד (Varod – pink), לבן (Lavan – white), צהוב (Tzahov – yellow) and תכלת (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.
- Athletics 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 98.21%. 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
- 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:



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- Please be reminded that tzizit and kippot are as much of a part of the school uniform as trousers. Please ensure your child is wearing both to school every day.

Miss Shemtob, Ms Pieters and the Year 5 Team.