

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to you all after a lovely half term! We hope you all had a great break. Thank you all for the fantastic letters for Mrs Baron. The children wrote with excellent suggestions of what we could do as a school to improve our environment and they enjoyed delivering these to her this week!

#### English:

We began our new topic of 'Let's go on Holiday!' We looked at a range of non-chronological reports about all different countries from around the world and revised the different features of the texts. We found out some new facts about China and thought about the purpose and layout of these texts. We look forward to looking at different holiday brochures next week. Please bring in any you may be able to find! Thank you!

#### Maths:

We have started revising all four operations. We are planning on consolidating and building on what we already know as well as applying our knowledge of number to money and real life situations. This week we focused on adding using partitioning. We used this method to add 2 digit numbers together. We also solved problems involving adding with money and converted amounts from pence into £.

#### Jewish Studies

This week in Jewish Studies, the children have been learning about the various customs that people do to celebrate Shavuot. These customs include hanging up flowers around our shuls and schools to remember that on Har Sinai (Mount Sinai) flowers grew to make the mountain look nice before the giving of the Torah, reading Megillat Rut and eating dairy foods.

#### Ivrit

This week Year 2 started to learn to say שותה/שותה - shoteh/shotah (drink m/f), אוכלת/אוכל - ochel/ochel (eat m/f), חלב - chalav (milk), יוגורט - yogurt (yogurt), גלידה - glidah (ice cream), גבינה - gvinah (cheese), אני - ani (I am), שמח חג - Chag same'ach (Happy festival), שבועות - Shavuot (weeks), תורה - Torah, שוקו - shoko (chocolate milk), שמנת - shamenet (cream) for Shavuot.

Year 2 began learning the song Eretz tzavat chalav udvash זבת חלב ודבש חלב for Shavuot: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jjFPzN6oGE8>. They carried on learning the song הנה וגם אפה? Eifo ha'uga (Where is the cake?) which you can find on the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aTDDPz69w7I>

They also continued learning the song ערצ ישראל שלי Eretz Israel sheli (My Israel) which you can find on the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dq1u8BlGJb0>

#### Reminders:

Our week's attendance was 96.79%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.

Please use Mathletics to consolidate maths skills learnt in school.

Don't forget to visit the school website photo gallery, where you can see what the children have been doing and learning.

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:



Wishing you all good Yom Tov and Shabbat Shalom,

The Year Two Team