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Dear Parents,

The end of the school year is approaching, but there is still plenty to do and many exciting activities for the children to enjoy and learn from.

English

In English this week, we have revisited the components and format of newspaper reports. The children have now put on their journalist caps and they have been writing articles for the school newspaper. It has been heartening to see how clearly the children recall the events of the year and how enthusiastic they are to write up the highlights for the newspaper.

Maths

In Maths, we have continued our topic of measurements. The children have been recording distances and converting measurements between metres and centimetres. They have been timing races and converting results between minutes and seconds; they have also been working with litres and millilitres.

Topic

Linked to our topic of 'Shaping Up', the children have been considering the rights and wrongs of allowing food producers to advertise unhealthy food products. Should it be stopped or should people be allowed free choice? The children have been preparing for what promises to be an interesting debate.

Jewish Studies

This week in Jewish Studies we followed the story of Avraham's servant (eved) arriving in Aram Naharayim to find a wife for Yitzchak. We put ourselves in the position of the eved to imagine how hard it must have been for him to know who the right woman might be. The children then took turns to advise the eved in how he should make the choice and they came up with very interesting pieces of advice. We continued to work on our Hebrew reading for meaning with children in groups reading and discussing the meaning of what they have read. I am really proud of the progress children have made in understanding what they read in Hebrew this half term. The parasha this week is Chukat and as Moshe's brother Aharon passes away, we looked at the role of the Kohen and how we respect a kohen.

Ivrit

Year 4 carried on learning the new topic – בית הספר שלי – My school. The key words of the topic are: התעמלות (Hitamlut – PE), מחשבים (Machshevim – computers), מדעים (Madaim – science), אמנות (Omanut – art), מולדת (Moledet – history of Israel), עברית (Ivrit – Hebrew), מוזיקה (Muzika – music), אנגלית (Anglit – English), חשבון (Cheshbon – maths), לומד (Lomed – studying, masculine), לומדת (Lomedet – learning).

The class began learning the song שיעור מולדת which you can find on the link:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LFJG5U_ivPc

Reminders

- The attendance this week was 97.15%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.
- Please ensure that your child brings in his or her PE kit on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Please also make a note in the green home liaison book if your child is unable to take part in PE for some reason.
- Please remind your child to return his or her library book before the end of the year.
- Please continue to read with your child and ask them questions to develop their comprehension skills.
- Please be reminded there are lots of photos on the school website photo gallery, where you can see what the children have been doing and learning.
- Barnet have asked all parents to be reminded about children travelling to and from school safely. Please remind your children of the 'stranger danger' rules and to tell a trusted adult if they do not feel safe.

Shabbat Shalom,

The Year 4 Team