

Dear Parents

This week has been Friendship Week in school. Miss Genn read 'The Smeds and The Smoos' and the children created their own friendly aliens. They then discussed if their alien was friendly or unfriendly. The children made friendship bracelets with Cheerios and pipe cleaners. We have started to have small circle time, where the children have a toy monkey and they can only talk when they were holding the monkey. They talked about who their friends are and who they would like to play with.

For Remembrance Sunday the children watched a video about a bunny in the war. It can be found here <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b04p4zsl/poppies>. They then made poppies out of red, black and green playdough as well as the collage materials. We talked about how the bunny was feeling and that it is important to remember the soldiers to say thank you for making sure we have a lovely place to live.

The children are continuing to use Purple Mash on the Interactive Whiteboard. This week they have been writing the numbers 1, 2 and 3, as these have been our focus numbers. In maths the children have been learning about the three numbers, attempting to write them and matching the correct amount of objects to the number. We have been using Numberblocks and Numicon to support their learning.

The highlight of this week was our visit from Zoolab on Monday. The children loved all the animals, with the snake being a clear favourite. There are more photographs on our school website. <https://www.etzchaim-primaryschool.org.uk/our-learning/photo-gallery-1/photo-gallery-2019-2020/zoolab#>

This week in Jewish Studies we have been learning about Avraham Avinu. We learnt that Avraham was such a kind man and that he always wanted to help others. We want to be like Avraham and linking with anti-bullying week and thinking of others we made a welcome mat so that all our guests can feel comfortable in our classroom. Everyone joined in using handprints to show that we are all needed to make our Nursery a wonderful place to be.

Nursery carried on learning how to say שלום (Shalom – hello), בוקר טוב (Boker tov – good morning), אני (Ani-I am), עכשיו (Achshav- now), את (At-you, female), אתה (Ata-you, male) and combine the words into short sentences. The class is learning the song שלום שלום, which you can find on: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VF-N0xSNFFw>. The class is also learning the song עליכם שלום הבאנו which you can find on: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mZ\\_nbinWkvE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mZ_nbinWkvE)

**Please can we remind you to wait outside by the wall and not at the front of the school or inside the school lobby before 8:50.**

Shabbat Shalom

Nursery Team

