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Dear Parents,

This week has been Road Safety Week and the children have been building awareness of sensible precautions that we should all take by the roadside and when crossing the road. The children had some first hand experience too. On Tuesday afternoon, the children had an opportunity in pairs (and accompanied by an adult) to cross Daws Lane. It was very instructive for the children and they recognised the need for extreme care (not least because, as we discovered, not all drivers stop at the zebra crossing).

Maths

In Maths this week, the children have been working on strategies for bridging through multiples of 10 when adding and subtracting two digit/three numbers.

English

This week, our focus for spellings was the suffixes ing, ed, er and est.

We are also now bringing our work on the class book 'Belonging' to a close by preparing to write poems capturing the core message of the book, our responsibility to look after the world to which we belong and to look after the environment for the next generation.

Topic

Our work on 'The Generation Game' has continued. The children have been learning about the very different generation of the Victorian era. They have been researching aspects of Victorian life and preparing to create posters to contrast their findings with life today. Perhaps unsurprisingly, many of the children have been particularly interested in the difference in school life then and now!

The children have also been learning about caring for the next generation. They were fascinated on Thursday morning when they listened to Mrs Benton speak about the needs of newborn babies. It was a lovely presentation and the children had lots of ideas to contribute.

Jewish Studies

This week in Chumash we learnt that Yitzhak had his Brit Milah. We also understood why he was named Yitzhak. In our Parasha lesson, we learnt about how powerful Tefillah can be as shown by Eliezer when he asked Hashem to help him find a wife for Yitzhak.

Ivrit

Year 4 carried on with the topic 'Where we live'. The key vocabulary includes: **איפה אנחנו גרים** (Eifo anachnu garim – where we live) **תחנת אוטובוס** (Tachanat otobus – bus stop) **עיר** (Ir – city) **רחוב** (Rechov – street) **ספרייה** (Sifria – library) **סופרמרקט** (Supermarket) **ישראל** (Israel) **גן שעשועים** (Gan Shaashuim – playground) **בית ספר** (Beit sefer – school) **בית** (Bayit – house/home). This week we added a new preposition word: **לעיד** (leyad – near), to help to describe the location of a place.

The class began learning the song ארץ ישראל שלי Eretz Israel sheli (My Israel) which you can find on the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dq1u8BIGJb0>

Reminders

- The attendance this week was 96.30%. 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.
- Library books can be changed each week during our library session on Monday. Please remind your child to bring in his or her library book.
- Please continue to read with your child and ask them questions to develop their comprehension skills.

Shabbat Shalom,
The Year 4 Team