Dear Parents,

We hope you had a lovely break! We have had such a busy and exciting week!

# **Maths**

In Maths this week, the children have concluded their work on exploring different representations of information. They have been introduced to tally charts and have explored how to create these and read them. The children developed their knowledge further by exploring how to use a ruler when creating a block diagram chart. They created their own and also looked at what information they could read from a block diagram chart.

# **English**

In English this week the children have been introduced to a new book 'Moth: The Evolution Story'. The children have been exploring and developing opinions about Moths and have been looking at a range of adjectives to describe one. They have also researched more information about moths and this will help them create a fact file next week. The children completed a comprehension about ladybirds and will continue to complete comprehensions each week in preparation for SATS. They also continued differentiating between past and present tense and applying this to different narratives.

### Other areas of the curriculum

In Science this week, the children began to work on a new topic: The Earth Our Home. We began by looking at the definition of a habitat and exploring different types of forest habitat. This helped the children understand that there are many different types of one habitat and how we cannot make generalisations. We then took his further by exploring a range of different habitats and the animals that live and survive in it. We also explored what a human habitat is and the children identified what makes that human habitat correct for them. We have also looked at identifying different parts of the United Kingdom and the countries that make it up and the surrounding seas. This week we also looked at different exercises to help our joints from hurting when remaining still. We explored the idea of hypermobility and the importance of exercising every part of our bodies and living an active lifestyle.

#### Jewish Studies

This week in Jewish Studies we have been learning Parashiot Vayigash and Vayechi. We have been learning about how Yosef forgave his brothers for throwing him into the pit. We thought carefully about why forgiving people is important. Additionally, we thought about the actions and emotions of the brothers and made a scene on JI Studio illustrating the feelings and actions of all the brothers.

### <u>lvrit</u>

This week Year 2 started the topic of 'Colours' as preparation to the topic 'Clothes'. The names of the colours are: סָּחוֹם (Kachol – blue), חוּם (Chum – brown), בָּחוֹם (Katom – orange) אָפוֹר (Afor – grey), יַרוֹק (Shachor – black), אָפוֹר (Adom – red), יָרוֹק (Yarok – green), לָבָן (Sagol – purple), יַרוֹד (Varod – pink), לָבָן (Lavan – white), צָהוֹב (Tzahov – yellow) and תְּכֵלֶת (Tchelet – turquoise).

The class will be learning the song כך נולד הצבע: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VT1R37o-d3I

# Things to do at home

• Please continue to read with your child and ask them questions to develop their comprehension skills.

### **Reminders**

- The attendance this week was 99.55%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.
- Please ensure that your child brings in his or her PE kit on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
  This needs to happen every week.
- Library books can be changed each week during our library session on Friday. Please remind your child to bring in his or her library book.
- School reading books will be changed on a Monday and Thursday.
- A reminder that home learning is collected in on Wednesdays, please remind your child to hand in their home learning
- Please encourage your child to enter the science squad competition to design a piece of wearable technology. Entries should be handed in to the School Office by Friday 17<sup>th</sup>January.

Shabbat Shalom, The Year 2 Team