Dear Parents,

## New Topic: All Dressed Up

The children loved beginning their new topic on clothes. They discussed the types of clothes we wear, how these might differ depending on the weather, the materials they are made from and the shops that we buy them from.



#### **English**

The class began looking at the story 'Halibut Jackson' by David Lucas. They looked at an image of Halibut and learnt that he doesn't like to stand out, so wears clothes to blend in to his background. The children then thought of other scenarios where Halibut might go and what he would wear.

## **Continuous Provision**

The children have continued working on the following activities to enhance their learning this week:

Phonics: phonics fishing, fishing sounds and reading them

Maths: number bonds to 10 or 20 Funky Fingers: weaving strips of paper

Creative: designing an outfit Writing: alphabetical clothes

Loose Parts: creating clothes for a person Jewish Studies: create a plan to weave our

own Mishloach Manot baskets.

## Maths

This week, the children revised counting in 5s by colouring in the numbers on a hundred square. They noticed the pattern that each number ends in either a 0 or a 5 and learnt that these numbers were *multiples* of 5. They revised which numbers were multiples of 5 and which weren't, by playing the game 'Huggy Bears', getting into groups of 5 and noticing if they were in equal groups or if there were children left over.

## **Jewish Studies**

We have begun our Purim learning. The children remember the Purim story very well. We have looked at new characters in the story and have focused our attention on the four mitzvot of Purim.

#### Ivrit

This week Year 1 starting learning to say words for Purim such as: לֵיצָן (Leitzan – clown, masculine), לֵיצָנִית (Leitzanit – clown, feminine) מֵלֶכָּה (Malka – queen), מֵכֶכָה (Masecha – mask), מֵכֶכוֹת (Masechot – masks) and שְׁמֵחַ פּוּרִים (Purim sameach – happy Purim).

The class learnt the song בַּחְמָד קְטָן לֵיִצְן (Leitzan katan nechmad – nice little clown) which you can find on https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D4utHy2NMK0

## Next Week

In English, the children will be freeze-framing images from the text and created a conscience alley for Halibut.

In Maths, the class will be continuing to count in multiples of 2, 5 and 10.

In Topic, the children will be researching the clothes worn in different countries in various seasons.

In JS, the class will learn new Purim songs and make their own Mishloach Manot baskets.

# Ideas for things you could do at home

- > Please read with your child and sign their reading diary.
- > Practise their letter and number formation, ensuring they start and finish in the correct place.

# Reminders

- Our week's attendance was 99.64%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.
- Library is on a Wednesday.
- Children's individual reading books will be changed when they have read both books on either a Monday or a Thursday.
- Children's Hebrew reading will be checked on a Tuesday and returned on a Wednesday.
- Write in the link book if your child is going home with someone else.

# **POINTS TO NOTE**

Due to timetable changes, the children no longer need to come into school wearing their PE kits. They will, however, be going home in their PE kits on a Wednesday.

Shabbat Shalom,

The Year One Team