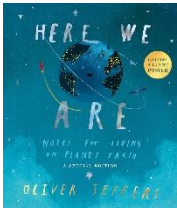


Dear Parents,

Welcome back! It has been a lovely week back in school with the children. They have settled into Year 2 well, adapting to the new classroom environment and the Bubble rules.



#### English

The class began the term by looking at the front cover of our class book 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers. They discussed their thoughts on the planet that we live on and wrote down questions they wanted to find out. They used Google Earth to look at the

whole planet spinning in space, before zooming in to our school and writing how they felt about being back.

#### Continuous Provision

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

**Phonics:** reading sounds and spotting them in both real and nonsense words

**Funky Fingers:** putting 'pollen' in the 'honeycomb' and making their own

**Maths:** addition and subtraction calculation solving

**Creative:** making a person and handprint to represent themselves

**Writing:** writing about their summer holiday

**Loose Parts:** creating a Rosh Hashanah picture

**Jewish Studies:** designing a Rosh Hashanah card



#### Maths

This week, the children revised tens and ones in various numbers. They used dienes, number lines, hundred squares and number fans to represent these numbers in a variety of ways, before putting their knowledge to the test by filling in missing number lines, writing numbers in order from smallest to biggest and biggest to smallest, as well as writing clear 'stem' sentences, such as 72 has 7 tens and 2 ones.

#### Art – Take One Picture

The class greatly enjoyed taking a close look at our Take One Picture project painting 'The Battle of San Romano' by Paolo Uccello. They spotted a variety of items in the painting and had many questions about different aspects of the work. Some children wondered what the people were holding. Others questioned why there were broken sticks on the floor. Children even asked if the subject of the painting was real. They are looking forward to learning more in the coming weeks.



#### Jewish Studies

This week in Year 2 we have been learning all about the upcoming chag of Rosh Hashanah. The children know the customs associated with the Chag and have begun working on their plan for their Shana Tova cards.

#### Ivrit

This week Year 2 had a recap of some of last year's greetings phrases such: שבוע טוב 'Shavua Tov' (Have a lovely week), שלום 'Shalom' (Hello/ goodbye/ peace), בוקר טוב 'Boker Tov' (Good morning), יום טוב - 'Yom Tov' (Good day), שבת שלום 'Shabbat Shalom' (Have a peaceful Shabbat/Saturday), אחר צהריים טובים - Achar tzahoraim tovim (Good afternoon) and להתראות - Lehitra'ot (Goodbye/see you soon). They also learnt a new phrase: ברוכים הבאים - Welcome (Bruchim habaim).

The class has gone over some greetings songs: 'Shavua Tov', 'Shalom shalom' 'Boker Tov' and 'Shabbat Shalom'.

#### Next Week

In English, the children will be creating a guide to Earth for visitors.

In Maths, the class will be continuing their work on place value.

In Topic, the children will be identifying different countries around the World.

In JS, Year 2 will be learning about the Shofar and the names of the sounds.

#### 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 98.15%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.
- 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 Wednesday and returned on a Thursday.
- Library books will be changed on a Wednesday.
- Please check Seesaw for any messages.
- Write on Seesaw if your child is going home with someone else.
- Friday 18th September is Jeans for Genes day. Children should wear one item of denim clothing with the rest of their uniform. A donation of £1 is suggested. Please donate via Parent Pay.

#### POINTS TO NOTE

- Pencil cases are being sent home this weekend in order for every item to be labelled – the classroom currently has many colours, pencils and felt tips without a name and a lot of children have the same stationery.

Just a reminder about Jeans for Genes day coming next Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September. The children will be allowed to wear a piece of denim with their full school clothing. A donation of £1 or more is suggested through Parent Pay.

Shabbat Shalom,  
The Year Two Team