

Dear Parents,

We have had another great week in Year 3! We continued our topic, "They Made a Difference" and also got into our preparations for Chanukah.

Maths

In Maths, the children revised on how they can find the perimeter of 2D shapes. They have also moved on to finding the perimeter of polygons with many unequal sides. The children solved word problems involving perimeter.

Furthermore, we started to consolidate some of the learning the children have done this half term. We reviewed column addition and the children solved word problems involving column addition.

We revised the 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8 times tables. Here is the 8 times table song we are listening to in class: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kN3RG5iLKpo>. Please make sure that your child is listening to it at home too and that they are practising their times tables by playing on TT Rockstars.

English

In English, we finished off planning our biographies about a significant person. The children followed their plans and they focused on the structure of their work. They were also encouraged to use conjunctions in order to make their sentences longer. Then they used a purple pen to edit their work and they tried to add more adjectives and adverbs to it. They ticked off a checklist the features of a biography they have managed to use in their writing and they reflected on the quality of their work.

Our grammar focus for the week was pronouns. The children started to recognise pronouns and they attempted to use them in their work while they were purple-penning their books. They also completed some exercises with pronouns in order to understand their use.

We also went through apostrophes for possession. Once again, the children were encouraged to go through their work and add these if needed. They also completed some relevant exercises.

They continued practising the spellings from the Year 3 and 4 list with commonly misspelt words. The spellings for this week were: special, minute, possible, strange and important. We started to revise the spellings that we have learnt so far by writing sentences using them. The children practised their listening skills through dictation.

Jewish Studies

This week in Jewish Studies the children have been learning about the story of Chanukah and the Maccabees. They have been learning about the miracle of the battle and the miracle of the bottle. They have also finished decorating their Chanukiot and are excited to light them over Chanukah.

Ivrit

Year 3 carried on with the topic המשפחה שלי – My family. The words for this topic include: משפחה (Mishpacha – family), סבא (Saba – grandfather), סבתא (Savta – grandmother), אמא (Ima – mum), אבא (Aba – dad), אח גדול (Ach gadol – big brother), אח קטן (Ach katan – little brother), אחות גדולה (Achat gdola – big sister), אחות קטנה (Achat ktana – little sister), מי זה? (Mi ze? – who is it? Masculine), מי זאת? (Mi zat? – who is it? Feminine), אין לי (Ein li – I don't have), יש לי (Yesh li – I do have), דוד (Dod – uncle), דודה (Doda – aunt), בן דוד (Ben dod – cousin, masculine), בת דודה (Bat doda – cousin, feminine).

The class is learning the song זה התחיל בשני הורים which you can find here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2_0EKcWOJ-0

As well as the song לאבא שלי יש סולם which you can find at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pNmI5WDweyU>

And the song אבא יקרה לי which you can find here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ztb4sKeDYVY>

Things to do at home

- Please continue to read with your child and ask them questions to develop their comprehension skills.
- Please read with your child and upload a video to Seesaw.
- Practise the spellings of the week with the children.
- Your child has a list of usernames for a range of different websites that can support their learning at home.

Reminders

- The attendance this week was 95.65%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.
- School reading books will be changed on a Tuesday and Thursday.
- A reminder that home learning is collected in on Wednesdays, please remind your child to hand in their home learning.
- Please upload videos of your child reading and place it in the folder 'English'. This is a great way for us to be able to hear your child read as often as possible.
- Please make sure that you sign and that you bring the **Social Media Consent form** back to school or let us know if you wouldn't like your child to appear in these pictures.
- Please check the **PSA gift list** on the PSA website.
- Please remember to enter the PSA Name the Bear Competition and the raffle.

In these dark early evenings, please can students be reminded of how to stay safe and where possible:

- Walk on main roads
- Keep to well-lit routes home
- Walk in a group or with a friend
- Tell a trusted adult if they feel unsafe

KS1 children should not be playing on or around the playground equipment before or after school, whilst waiting for older siblings

Shabbat Shalom,

The Year 3 Team