

Dear Parents,

English

The children continued reading our class book 'One Plastic Bag: Isatou Ceesay and the Recycling Women of the Gambia' by Miranda Paul. They researched the best design for a new basket for Isatou after hers broke and created new drinking containers when Isatou noticed her town was overrun with plastic. They then created information booklets and posters about the properties of plastic and how it is such a useful material.

Maths

This week, the children learnt how to divide a 2-digit number by 10, using the same concept from last week of moving the digits on a place value chart one column to the right. They then moved on to understanding hundredths as part of a whole.

Topic – States of Matter

The children enjoyed a fun investigation into whether all liquids behave the same, by helping Kevin. Kevin owns a hot dog stand and has been receiving complaints about the ketchup. The children needed to help him find the best ketchup and they did this by looking at 4 different samples and investigating how runny they were, how well they would sit on a hot dog and how they tasted.

Jewish Studies

This week in Jewish Studies the children have been focussing on the Shorashim (root words) and using them to help them translate their Passuk in Chumash. We have also been revising our prefixes and suffixes. The children also learnt that in this weeks Parasha we learn the Middah of respect and how to demonstrate it.

Ivrit

Year 4 have started learning about Lag Ba'omer. The key words include: אֵשׁ - esh (fire), מְדוּרָה - medura (Bonfire), תְּפוּחָה - tapu'ac adama (potato), בָּטָטָה - batata (sweet potato), פִּיטָה - pitta, חוֹמוֹס - Hummus, יִשְׂרָאֵלִי - Israeli salad (salat yisra'eli). They are creating sentences using language pattern with זֶה - ze (that is – male), זֹאת - zot (that is – female), עִם - with (im), וְ - and (ve), יֵשׁ לִי - I have (yesh li), אֵין לִי - I don't have (ein li).

The class began learning the song מִירְבַּּה הָאוֹסֶמֶן // מִירְבַּּה אֵשׁ בּוֹעֶרֶת for Lag Ba'omer:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3lCguENW9so> and the first verse and chorus of the song שִׁיר עַד - הַפִּינְג'אן - חִיִּים חֹפֵר | <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kGhYW2DabR0>
בִּבְיוֹעַ יוֹסִי בְנָאִי | עִמְמִי אֶרְמִנִי – HaFinjan (The coffee pot):

Next week:

In English, the children will be creating the opening of a TED talk inspired by the experiences of Isatou Ceesay.

In Maths, the class will be identifying hundredths as decimals and on a place value grid.

In Topic, the children will be learning to use a thermometer to take accurate measurements.

In Jewish Studies, the class will be continuing Chumash and parashah learning.

Things to do at home

- Read with your child and sign their diary – without a signature to say they have read the book, we won't be able to change them.
- Practise the times tables.

Reminders

- The attendance this week was 100%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.
- Check the green book every day for any messages.
- Please ensure that your child has their full PE kit in school: black tracksuit bottoms, PE jumper, T-shirt, **white socks**, white trainers, black plimsolls. Girls with pierced ears must have tape.
- Library books can be changed each week during our library session using a 'Click and Collect' service on Monday. Please remind your child to bring in their library book.
- School reading books will be changed on a Monday and Thursday.
- Please make sure your child does not play on the equipment before or after school.
- Tzedakah is collected every Friday and it would be wonderful if children could bring some in or if you could donate using ParentPay.

Shabbat Shalom,

Miss Roberts, Mrs Braham and the Year 4 Team