

Dear Parents,

This week the children have been working very hard and have been extremely productive.

### **Maths**

In Maths this week we have started our work on fractions. We started by reviewing work on quarters and halves. We did this using a paper plate and divided the plate according. We have explored halves and quarters in shapes, objects and lengths. We have also this week reviewed the order of multiplication and division and how they relate.

### **English**

In English this week the children have been looking at Funni in much more detail. We have explored her emotions and she is feeling. We addressed the Zones of Regulation when completing this task. This has been a great plan for the diary entry the class will be writing next week. The class have also learnt about apostrophes for contraction this week and are building up the confidence to include these in their writing next week.

### **Other areas of the curriculum**

This week in Science the children have begun looking closely at plants. We have discussed the stages of a plant growing. The class have even planted their own beans and will enjoy watching them grow throughout the next few weeks. The class have learnt about the function of the different parts of a plant and how they are used to grow. The class have also worked very hard in designing and creating bird feeders. These will look beautiful in your gardens.

### **Jewish Studies**

This week in Jewish Studies, the children have been learning about the various customs that people do to celebrate Shavuot. These customs include hanging up flowers around our shuls and schools to remember that on Har Sinai (Mount Sinai) flowers grew to make the mountain look nice before the giving of the Torah, reading Megillat Rut and eating dairy foods.

### **Ivrit**

This week Year 2 carried on learning to say שותה/שותה - shoteh/shotah (drink m/f), אוכלת /אוכל - ochel/ochel (eat m/f), חלב - chalav (milk), יוגורט - yogurt (yogurt), גלידה - glidah (ice cream), גבינה - gvinah (cheese), אני - ani (I am), חג שמח - Chag same'ach (Happy festival), שבועות - Shavuot (weeks), תורה - Torah, שוקו - shoko (chocolate milk), שמנת - shamenet (cream) for Shavuot.

Year 2 are learning the song Eretz tzavat chalav udvash ארץ זבת חלב ודבש  
for Shavuot: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jjFPzN6oGE8>

They also carry on learning the song ארץ ישראל שלי Eretz Israel sheli (My Israel) which you can find on the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dq1u8BlGJb0>

### **Things to do at home**

- Please continue to read with your child and ask them questions to develop their comprehension skills. Remember you can upload videos to the folder on Seesaw 'English Reading at Home'. This way I can comment on their abilities and respond with follow up questions.
- Review the Year 1 and 2 Common Exception words that can be found on the school website.
- Your child has a list of usernames for a range of different websites that can support their learning at home.
- Please encourage your child to upload reading videos to Seesaw. I will review these weekly and leave follow up questions to help develop your child's comprehension skills.

### **Reminders**

- The attendance this week was 99.26%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.
- School reading books will be changed on a Monday and Thursday.
- A reminder that English home learning is collected in on Wednesdays, please remind your child to hand in their home learning.
- A reminder that JS home learning is collected in on Tuesdays, please remind your child to hand in their home learning.
- Library books are to be brought into school on Wednesdays. You child will receive a new one on Thursdays.
- Your child does not need to bring in a pencil case.
- Please remind your child to bring in their Green Liaison Book each day. This will be our main form of communication going forward
- 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,

The Year 2 Team