

Dear Parents,

The children have settled back nicely into school and have got back into the routine of being back at school. The weather has been lovely and they have enjoyed working in the shade, playing outside and making the most of summertime. We have had some lovely learning opportunities that have taken advantage of the weather this week.

English – The children began to explore our new book of the half term 'The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe'. The children have read the whole of Chapter 1 and have focused on answering some comprehension questions based around this chapter. The children used the scene of Lucy entering the wardrobe to consolidate descriptive language and expanded noun phrases.

Maths – The children have been learning about Geometry and have learnt about reflecting shapes. They were able to describe reflections and draw reflected shapes. They solved a variety of problems including reasoning questions, fluency questions and participated in a variety of guided group discussions using what they had learnt to solve the questions.

Topic – This week the children continued with their topic of Extreme Survivors. The children have continued to explore classifying and grouping animals. The children used the information from the database to answer a variety of questions and label different animals and what groups they are from. The children continued with our Animal themed collage activity. They continued with the medium of watercolour, which they have added from the oil pastel layer of the previous week. In PE, the children have had a focus on athletics in the build up to the Sports Festival.

Jewish Studies – We have been very busy preparing for Etgar this week, with the children working on revising various aspects of their booklets to get their Jewish general knowledge as sharp as they can. Etgar is taking place next week Wednesday and will be live streamed into our classroom – we cannot wait!

Ivrit – Our Ivrit play is also happening next week and children have continued to prepare for that. For the Festival of Spoken Ivrit, Year 5 will be watching: 'Me and the Lane' (Ani vehamaslul) **אני והמסלול**

They looked at a short synopsis of the play and started to learn the vocabulary:

Olympic games (olimpiyada) , **אולימפיאדה** Life (chaim) **חיים** Living room (salon) **סלון**

You are Jewish (ata Yehudi) **אתה יהודי** Swimming class (eimun schiya) **אמון שחייה** Swimming (schiya)

שחיה Swimmer (sachyan) **שחנן** Pool (breicha) **בריכה** Champion (aluf) **אלוף**

Reminders

- The children should be reading their scheme books aloud every evening. Please ask them comprehension questions about the text they are reading and date and sign the blue diary each time. The children should also be reading their 'home' books. The school library books can be changed or renewed on Wednesdays.
- Please ensure your child has their blue diary each day. If they are being collected by someone different than usual, this must be recorded in the diary on the day.
- All boys need a spare kippah in their tray and all children need a non-uniform cap in their tray too.

- Magic Spell has been updated with this week's spelling focus. Please ensure your children are logging in and practising.
- Mathletics has also been updated with this week's focus, please ensure the children are logging in and practising.
- Tzedakah is collected every Friday and it would be wonderful if children could bring some in or if you could donate using ParentPay.
- Our week's attendance was 99.05%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.

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

Shabbat Shalom

Mrs Gishen and the Year 5 team