

Dear Parents,

What a load of future reporters we have here in Year 5! The children thoroughly enjoyed their look into what it takes to be a News Reporter and wrote some reports about events they have experienced this year. The children enjoyed their special news day on Friday and allowed them to delve even deeper into the preparations for our school newspaper.

**English** – The children spent the week looking at all the features needed to write a good newspaper report. The children started this week by looking at the key terminology and what this meant. They even defined each feature themselves and had a go at writing the various sections that were needed. The children enjoyed planning their own articles and even had the chance to interview each other about the events they were reporting on.

**Maths** – The children have continued to look at plotting coordinates in the first quadrant and have answered a variety of questions on this. This includes testing their fluency, problem solving skills and reasoning around the subject. The children took part in a discussion based activity to further consolidate their knowledge on the topic and revised the objective through playing a coordinate themed game on Friday.

**Topic** – The children have continued their work on the Euros and preparing for our Summer Sports Festival. The children focused on Beth Pascall who ran the Western States 100 Miles in the second fastest women's recorded time and why makes a good role model. We discussed the news story in class and were able to take different opinions from the class. The children explored materials that are best suited to footballs and have learnt about Seville in our Euros challenges this week. The children have learnt about the locations of a variety of countries in Europe too and where these can be found on the map. We are also working on our language skills and how to say hello in all the languages from our host cities in the Euros.

**Jewish Studies** – After the excitement of Etgar last week, we have launched our Visual Torah project this week. In groups, the children have been given an individual Parasha of the Torah, which they have to draw and write in the style of Israeli artist Michal Meron. The children have started with some lovely designs, initially in pencil.

**Ivrit** – Last week's play, Me and the Lane, was absolutely amazing and the children thoroughly enjoyed it. They spoke about what they had learnt in the play and we started a new topic of food and preparing for a picnic.

## 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 98.10%. 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