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Dear Parents,

Wow! It's has been a short but very eventful week, the children have really enjoyed themselves, indulging in a variety of activities that help them to connect with Sukkot in meaningful ways. They have engaged in art, bike riding, basketball, Israeli dancing, they have baked honey and apple biscuits and even snacked in the Sukkah, the list goes on...

We have all shared an amazing experience.

Jewish Studies

This week in Jewish Studies we learnt about what makes a Sukkah Kosher and we designed our own Sukkot. We learnt it must have at least 2 ½ walls and we should be able to see the stars through the roof. We also had the opportunity to fulfil the Mitzvah of eating in the Sukkah and we shook the Lulav and Etrog. We also had a whole school assembly in which we learnt about the laws and customs associated with Sukkot.

Reminders

- The children have been prompt with attendance, thank you parents for keeping this up. The attendance this week was 96.97%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.
- Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school. Please also make a note in the green home liaison book if your child is unable to take part in PE for some reason.
- Library books can be changed each week during our library session on Fridays. Please remind your child to bring in his or her library book.
- Please continue to read with your child and ask them questions to develop their comprehension skills.

Things you could do at home:

- Practise tables and number bonds
- Practise handwriting – remember, capital letters are tall and sit on the line!
- Ask your child questions about the book they are reading (remember VIPERS - Vocabulary / Inference / Prediction / Explanation / Retrieval / Summarise)
- Play games like “Articulate” and “Taboo” or “Absolute Balderdash” which all encourage children to use their imagination and develop their vocabulary
- Play card games and board games
- Watch and discuss the news with your child

Shabbat Shalom,

The Year 4 Team