Dear Parents,

It's been another short week and we've all enjoyed engaging in the creative learning across the school. The children have embraced learning more about the Jewish culture and the meaning behind the various traditions.

We are now working our way back into the curriculum and the children have designed their chocolate wrappers in art, and explored countries where cacao trees are grown in Geography.

English

In English, the children are developing their writing skills by choosing the appropriate conjunctions to use to expand their sentences.

Maths

In Maths we are continuing with place value, the children have been using number lines to consolidate their understanding of 4-digit numbers.

Jewish Studies

This week in Jewish Studies we made our flags for Simchat Torah and we started learning about the fist Parasha in the Torah, Bereishit, and how Hashem created the world in 6 days and rested on the 7th. We understood this is why we have Shabbat. We also had an Israeli dancing workshop as part of our Succot activities. And we finished designing our own Succhas.

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
- Remember, October is Walk to School Month!

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