Dear Parents,

It has been wonderful to have our first full week back at school! The children have all settled well into their first full week back and have made the most of their learning time. The children have engaged well with their learning discussions in all curriculum topics this week and have also enjoyed their continues provision tasks.

English –The children were looking at a household object- an iron- from Victorian times. Children enjoyed describing it from Jemmy's point of view and writing instructions on how to use it. Also, we have consolidated our knowledge of relative clauses and expanded noun phrases. The children were debating whether Jemmy should integrate back into his life on the island or not and writing a balanced argument about it.

Maths- The focus this week was on Roman numerals. Children enjoyed activities enabling them to read and write dates using Roman Numerals. We also have revised addition using more than one exchange. Children challenged themselves with word problems using both concepts.

Topic- The children enjoyed designing the Etz Chaim Top Ten Poster and creating a Power Point Presentation based on their project. As a part of Black History Month the children researched about Joseph Clough, the first black bus driver, who was stationed in Shepherds Bush, driving the first motor buses in London. They created a timeline of significant dates from his life using Roman Numerals. The children were looking at migration movements in 19 Century.

Jewish Studies- This week in Jewish Studies we began our new unit in Chumash and we have learnt that Avraham is sending his servant Eliezer to find a wife for his son Yitzhak. We also learnt about Jewish history to prepare us for our ETGAR competition. In Hebrew reading, we have also been focusing on reading with meaning.

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Reminders:

Next week children will be taking part in Bike Ability Training. Please ensure that girls come to school in tracksuit bottoms.

Thursday 7th October is National Poetry Day! This is an annual celebration of poets and poetry. To celebrate this day, the home learning this week will be poetry-based. It would also be lovely if your child could read a favourite poem, record it on Seesaw. We will share it in class.

Please ensure your child has their blue diary each day.

The children will have two home learning tasks. One of the tasks will be given to them on Tuesday and they will have until Friday to complete it. The second task will be assigned to them on Fridays and they will have until the following Tuesday to do it. They will also have one JS home learning, which will be given out on a Friday to be returned on Wednesday.

PE is on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Please ensure that you are reading with your child every day.

Reading book changes take place on Monday and Friday. Library book changes take place on Tuesdays.

Our week's attendance was 99.13%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.

And finally - remember, October is Walk to School Month!

Shabbat Shalom

Mrs Cislo and the Year 5 Team