Dear Parents,

Welcome back! It has been wonderful to see the children come back to school and we are knuckling down for our last push towards SATS. All the children are working incredibly hard and they should be very proud of themselves.

English – The children are consolidating the objectives learnt this year for the upcoming SATS. We have been practising questions for both the Reading paper and SPAG paper. The children have had a chance to address misconceptions by playing teacher and self-evaluating their practise papers, focusing on the subjects they need work on. Please ensure your children are making good use of Spelling Shed to recap and revise the spelling patterns we have learnt this year.

Maths – The children have been reviewing topics in preparation for the SATS tests. They have looked at a variety of SATS style questions on the topics of area, mass, volume and roman numerals. The children have looked at misconceptions and mistakes that can be easily made in all three papers by playing the teacher and marking some papers. They have been able to understand where these mistakes have been made and how to troubleshoot for them during their exams. Please ensure the children are logging onto Mathletics and TT Rockstars daily.

Topic – The children are finishing their non-chronological reports on light to bring together their learning from last half term. The children have enjoyed their introduction to athletics in PE where we have revised and recapped the fundamental skills and knowledge needed to be successful in a variety of field and track events.

Jewish Studies – We started to prepare for Shabbat UK by recapping our knowledge of the six days of creation followed by Shabbat and the children used compasses and protractors to design coasters with the theme. They will be able to use the coasters for their Kiddush cups and the best entries will be sent to Shabbat UK for a national competition. We also had a visitor speaking to the children on Yom Hashoa about her family's experience on the kindertransport, which the children found very interesting. Together with Year 5, we had a ceremony where every child lit a candle in memory of someone who passed in the Shoa, which was a very special experience for the children.

Ivrit - This week in Ivrit we learned the song "עוד יבוא שלום עלינו" We had a short conversation and learned to ask Who is this- מי זה/ מי זה/ מי אפי we had some different games to embed the questions in a sentence.

Reminders

- The children should be reading their scheme books aloud every evening. Please ask them
 comprehension questions about the text they are reading (remember VIPERS Vocabulary /
 Inference / Prediction / Explanation / Retrieval / Summarise) 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.
- 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 95.65%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.

Things we could do at home:

- Use Mathletics and TTRockstars
- 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

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 6 team

Monthly Maths Challenge

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