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Dear Parents,

This week has been Anti-Bullying and Friendship Week. The children have been building their understanding of what bullying is (and what it's not) and thinking about ways to ensure that they are the best friends that they can be to others. They developed the theme of the week on Remembrance Day, covering images of poppies with messages of friendship.

The learning in this area has included a session led by Streetwise in which the children considered the different forms of bullying and discussed how baiting and banter could become bullying. They also explored the importance of empathy to understand others' feelings.

Maths

In Maths this week, the children have been completing their work on ordering three and four digit numbers.

English/ Topic

This week, our focus for spellings was the prefixes im, in, ir and il.

We have also continued our work on the class book, 'Belonging' by Jeannie Baker. Having studied the pictures, drawn inferences and made predictions about the story plot, the children have now been writing their version of the story. In addition, for 'No Pens Day' on Wednesday, the children worked in groups to create and perform improvised plays acting out scenes from the book. There was a great deal of creativity in their performances and it was great fun too!

Jewish Studies

This week in Jewish Studies we have been following the lives of Avraham and Sara in our Chumash learning and we learnt that they had a baby and called him Yitzhak. We also learnt that Avraham loved to do the Mitzvah of Chachnasat Orchim (welcoming guests).

Ivrit

Year 4 carried on with the topic 'Where we live'. The key vocabulary includes: אֵיפֹה אֲנַחְנוּ גָרִים (Eifo anachnu garim – where we live) תַּחְנַת אוֹטוּבּוּס (Tachanat otobus – bus stop) עִיר (Ir – city) רְחוֹב (Rechov – street) סִפְרִיָּה (Sifria – library) סוּפֶרְמָרְקֵט (Supermarket) יִשְׂרָאֵל (Israel) גַּן שְׂעִשׂוּעִים (Gan Shaashuim – playground) בַּיִת סֵפֶר (Beit sefer – school) בַּיִת (Bayit – house/home). This week we added a new preposition word: (leyad – near), to help to describe the location of a place.

The class began learning the song אֶרֶץ יִשְׂרָאֵל שְׁלִי Eretz Israel sheli (My Israel) which you can find on the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dq1u8BIGJb0>

Reminders

- The attendance this week was 98.15%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.

- Please ensure that your child brings in his or her PE kit on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. 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 Monday. 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.

Shabbat Shalom,
The Year 4 Team