

Dear Parents,

### **English**

The children had a tough English lesson this week when they compared Isatou's village to the infamous rubbish dump in Manila. They used their senses to describe how they might feel if they lived near the Smokey Mountain. They then continued reading the class book 'One Plastic Bag: Isatou Ceesay and the Recycling Women of the Gambia' and learnt about Isatou's interesting way of solving their plastic bag problem.

### **Maths**

This week, the children learnt to divide any number by 100 using a place value grid – we move the digits two columns to the right. The class revised tens, ones, tenths and hundredths. They then completed 'Buddy's Key Challenge' for NSPCC Number Day by completing number related activities and finding puzzle pieces.

### **NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe**

The class learnt about the children's charity called the NSPCC and about children's rights, including the right of all children to speak out and stay safe. They learnt about Childline and the 'speak out, stay safe' mascot 'Buddy'. They were introduced to the idea of human rights and children's rights.

### **Jewish Studies**

This week in Jewish Studies we learnt the importance of the Mitzvah of Hachnasat Orchim (welcoming guests) which was demonstrated by Avraham in our Chumash learning. We have also been focussing on our Hebrew reading and building on reading with meaning.

### **Next week:**

In English, the children will be designing a product based on the text.

In Maths, the class will be writing and comparing decimals.

In Topic, the children will be learning about heating and cooling materials.

In Jewish Studies, the class will be continuing Chumash and parashah learning.

### **Things to do at home**

- Read with your child and sign their diary – without a signature to say they have read the book, we won't be able to change them.
- Practise the times tables using TTRockstars 'Sound Check'.

### **Reminders**

- The attendance this week was 100%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.
- Check the green book every day for any messages.
- Please ensure that your child has their full PE kit in school: black tracksuit bottoms, PE jumper, T-shirt, **white socks**, white trainers, black plimsolls. Girls with pierced ears must have tape.
- Library books can be changed each week during our library session using a 'Click and Collect' service on Monday. Please remind your child to bring in their library book.
- School reading books will be changed on a Monday and Thursday.
- Please make sure your child does not play on the equipment before or after school.
- Tzedakah is collected every Friday and it would be wonderful if children could bring some in or if you could donate using ParentPay.

Shabbat Shalom,

Miss Roberts, Mrs Braham and the Year 4 Team