

Dear Parents,

Year 2 have had a fantastic week. They are really independent now when they come into the classroom getting straight on with their Table Top activities. We have really enjoyed celebrating World Chocolate Week. I was really blown away with their poetry work that was complete for home learning.

Maths

This week in Maths it has been Chocolate Maths week. We have looked at number cards exploring place value of numbers to 100. We have been revisiting place value grid and using tens and ones. We have also started looking at part-whole models representing numbers in different ways. We have also recapped one more, one less, 10 more and 10 less.

English

This week in English we have been planning and writing our postcards to Beegu. We have explored the adjectives, understood the sequence of events and have learnt about the key features in a postcard.

Topic

In Science we have learnt about keeping healthy and the importance of exercise. We have also been continuing our work on Mary Seacole. In D&T we have spoken about the importance of being hygienic. We have also started planning our fruit salad using labels and description, ready to make the fruit salad next week.

Jewish Studies

This week in Jewish Studies we continued to extend our Hebrew reading by playing Hebrew flashcard games and using the iPads for other fun reading and writing activities.

In the Parashah lesson, we spoke about the value of using one's Jewish name, which we learn from the way Hashem changed Avram's name to Avraham and Sarai's name to Sara.

Ivrit

Year 2 learnt to make short sentences with the words Shalom- Hello , Ani- I, Ata -You(m) and At-You(f) Eifa – Where and Hineh – here.

They used these words in a conversation to introduce themselves to each other.

Next week

In Maths we will be adding two 2-digit numbers using a part-whole model using concrete objects. We will also be exploring strategies for adding three numbers using concrete objects and mental addition involving 2-digit numbers.

In English, we will be creating and editing our own poems. We will be focusing on our story Beegu to help us.

In Science we will be investigating the importance of washing our hands and will be doing an experiment to show this.

In Jewish Studies we will be learning about the Shul and all the items inside it.

Reminders:

To celebrate the school's 10 year anniversary, I am delighted to invite the children to take part in very special poster competition where children can celebrate the **Top Ten things about Etz Chaim**.

The children should design an imaginative and colourful poster about the Top Ten things about Etz Chaim and prizes will be given to the top design for Reception – Year 2, Years 3 & 4 and Years 5 & 6. The winners will be announced in assembly and the winning entries will be displayed throughout the school.

The children need to hand their entries in to their Class Teacher by Wednesday 20th October 2021. Entries should be no bigger than A3.

I look forward to seeing the children's amazing posters!

- 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 / Sequence) and date and sign the green diary each time. Please note – I will be re-assessing the children's reading level before half term.
- The school library books can be changed or renewed on Wednesdays.
- Please ensure your child has their green liaison book each day. If they are being collected by someone different than usual, this must be recorded in the book on the day.
- All boys need a spare kippah in their tray and all children need a non-uniform cap in their tray too.
- Tzedakah is collected every Friday and it would be wonderful if children could bring some in or if you could donate using ParentPay.
- Please support your child to complete their home learning by the deadline and remind them to hand it in
- Please ensure your child comes to school in their full PE kit on a Monday and brings their uniform into school to change into after the lesson. They will be coming home in their PE kits on Thursday.
- Remember, October is Walk to school Month.
- Please sign and return your Home School Agreement and Acceptable Use Agreement
- Our week's attendance was almost at 96.92%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.