

Year 6 Newsletter 12-10-18

Dear Parents

Another busy week and a full week, packed with learning. We have celebrated Chocolate Maths Week, Poetry Week and Mental Health Week as well as having a session with GIFT, all about the mitzvah of 'giving'.

English – We have made comparisons between a formal letter of complaint and an informal letter complaining about something. The children have enjoyed looking at a range of different types of poetry and discussing their features. The children have taken out library books and some have changed their scheme books. All children need to be reading these each night as well as their own books. Please remember to sign each night for reading in the diaries. The spelling focus this week has been tious and cious words.

Maths – We started Chocolate Maths Week, thinking about how we could work out how many pieces in a chocolate bar. The children used logic to work this out and explained their reasoning. We have also been working with very large numbers this week, using different strategies to find totals of the prices of up to ten used cars. We talked about deficit in a bank account and plotted this as a negative number on a number line. We will be going on to work out how we can make a profit on these cars and work out how much profit we have made.

Topic – The children have made stunning models of the heart and they are all so different. Each one has been talked about and looked at carefully. In art, the children have made observational drawings of a body specifically focussing on proportion.

Jewish Studies - We linked chocolate week with Jewish studies and asked the children to research chocolate products, and tick off whether they are kosher, not kosher dairy or parev.

In our Parashah lesson we spoke about the seven Noachide laws. We explained to the children that these are the basic requirements for life in a civilized society. All nations must keep these seven laws in order to live together in a safe, respectful and law abiding environment.

Ivrit - Year 6 has started a new topic on birth dates. The new key words are:

סיניון (Iyar) אגיר (Nisan) ניסון (Adar) אדר (Shvat) שבט (Tevet) טבת (Kislev) כסלו (Cheshvan) חשוון (Tishrei) תשרי (Sivan) תמוז (Tamuz) אב (Av) אלול (Elul) חודש (Chodesh - month) נולדתם (Noladetem – you were born, plural) נולדת (Noladeta – you were born, singular masculine) נולדת (Noladeti – you were born, singular feminine) נולדתי (Noladeti – I was born) שבווע הבא (Shavua haba – next week) נולד (Nolad – was born, singular masculine) נולדה (Nolda – was born, singular feminine) מתי נולדת? (Matai noladeti? – when was I born?)

The class began learning the song Kan Noladeti, Here I was born כאן נולדתי

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zlyZzi-gvFc>

Reminders – The children must be reading their scheme books out loud every evening. Please ask them comprehension questions about the text they are reading and date and sign the blue diary each time. The children should also be reading their 'home' books as well. The school library books can be changed or renewed on Tuesdays or in Library Club on Wednesdays.

Please ensure your child has their blue diary each day. If they are being collected by someone else to 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.

Next Week – We are really looking forward to our trip to Kingswood! We look forward to seeing you all at school on Sunday, ready to take on new challenges!

Our week's attendance was 98.27%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.

Best wishes

Mrs Levy and the Year 6 team