

Year 6 Newsletter 09-11-18

Dear Parents

This week the children have enjoyed their Bikeability training. They have been learning the skills and confidence they need to ride on local roads; recognising typical hazards, letting others know what they're about to do, e.g. through hand signals, knowing where to position themselves on the road and passing parked vehicles and side roads. The children have been preparing for on-road cycling in the playground and if ready, some have cycled on the road. Also this week, the class has participated in a Bollywood dance workshop, to recognise the festival of Diwali.

Please tell us great things your children have achieved this term – Complete a WOW form so we can display them!

English – The children have been creatively writing about an alien from space thinking about all the grammatical features they have learnt so far. Their independent imaginary writing was entitled 'Beyond the Stars'. This was inspired by the book we are reading called 'Cosmic'. The children have discussed the characteristics of the main character, Liam. Prepositions, Adjectives and Modal verbs are the focus this week.

Maths – This week, the children have been focusing on the place value of decimal numbers up to three decimal places. They practised reading and writing decimal numbers and rounding them to the nearest one, tenth and hundredth. They described the effect of multiplying and dividing them by 10, 100 and 1000 on a place value grid. This week's home learning involves rounding decimal numbers and investigating patterns.

Topic – The children have been working in pairs to code a project called 'Lost in Space', using the programme Scratch. They followed a series of instructions adding more sprites and details. They will then programme their own project on Shabbat or Chanukah using Scratch.

JS – In our Jewish studies lessons, we made up riddles to revise the material that we have already covered in Chumash. We also launched a new Mitzvah day challenge ahead of our Mitzvah day at school.

Ivrit - Year 6 has started a new topic on birth dates. The new key words are: תִּשְׁרֵי (Tishrei) חֶשְׁׁוֹן (Cheshvan) אֵיָר (Iyar) נִיסָן (Nisan) אָדָר (Adar) שְׁׁבָט (Shvat) טֵבֵט (Tevet) כִּסְלוֹ (Kislev) אָב (Av) אֶלּוּל (Elul) חוֹדֶשׁ (Chodesh - month) נולדתם (Noladetem – you were born, plural) נולדת (Noladeta – you were born, singular masculine) נולדתי (Noladeti – I was born) נולד (Nolad – was born, singular masculine) נולדה (Nolda – was born, singular feminine) מתי נולדתי? (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 is friendship week. The children will be picking a 'Secret Friend' out of a hat. Please ask your child who their secret friend is and discuss kind acts they could do for their friend.

Our week's attendance was 97.64%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.

Best wishes

Mrs Levy and the Year 6 team