

Year 6 Newsletter 23-11-18

Dear Parents

This week was Road Safety Week and the children in Year 6 watched a short film called 'Road Ready' which encouraged the children to think how to be responsible and safe when crossing the road. We also discussed pedestrians from the point of the view of the driver. The children then went out to cross roads thinking about the rules we needed to remember to keep safe and also to be considerate to drivers.

English – We have been learning the four kinds of determiner; **a/an** are indefinite and **the** is definite and that a quantifier determines how many or how much of something. The children have made an alien in the classroom, based on descriptions they have written.

Maths – The children have been working out the mean average of a quantity. We also revised what the associative and distributive properties of multiplication are and used these to help us carry out mental calculations involving the multiplication and division of large numbers.

Topic – In PE we have choreographed a dance to 'Space Oddity' by David Bowie from, would you believe, 1972?! I was the same age as the children in my class! We analysed the song first in class and then depicted the lyrics through movement.

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

אֵייר (Nisan) אָדָר (Adar) שְׁבָט (Shvat) טֵבֵת (Tevet) כִּסְלִיו (Kislev) חֶשְׁוֹן (Cheshvan) תִּשְׁרֵי (Tishrei) יָר (Iyar) נֹלַדְתֶּם (Noladetem – you were born, plural) חֹדֶשׁ (Chodesh - month) אֵלּוּל (Elul) אָב (Av) תַּמּוּז (Tamuz) סִיּוּן (Sivan) נֹלַדְתָּ (Noladeta – you were born, singular masculine) נֹלַדְתְּ (Noladet – you were born, singular feminine) נֹלַדְתִּי (Noladeti – I was born) הַבָּא שָׁבוּעַ (Shavua haba – next week) דְּנוּל (Nolad – was born, singular masculine) נֹלַדְתִּי (Nolda – was born, singular feminine) מַתַּי נֹלַדְתִּי? (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=zlyZzj-gvFc>

JS – This week in Jewish Studies, we have been learning about Chanukah. We had discussions in class about the conflicts between Jewish and Greek cultures. The children understood that the Greeks wanted the Jews to give up their belief in Hashem and worship idols instead. Yehuda Hamacabee was victorious in his fight and his small army won the war.

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 use Mathletics and TTRockstars to practise number fluency and reinforce our learning from the class.

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.

Please be reminded there are lots of photos on the school website photo gallery, where you can see what the children have been doing and learning.

All boys need a spare kippa and clips in their tray and all children must have a non-uniform cap in their tray too. Tzitzit should be worn every day.

Our week's attendance was 97.44%. Weekly attendance needs to be over 96%.

Best wishes

Mrs Levy and the Year 6 team