

Welcome Back! It has been so exciting to start a new year together. This week we have been introducing our new IPC topic, Food. The children loved playing with the new role play and, "The Market". It has been great to see them taking on the roles of shopkeeper and customer without any kind of direction. They just started to write their shopping lists, take their baskets and ask the shopkeepers to give them what they needed for the day. Their understanding of the whole process was just amazing. We will continue introducing new aspects to their role play like money and coupons for the children to exchange. It will be great to improve their understanding of maths concepts like number figure correspondence or addition.

They were really excited after their great holidays and they loved sharing all the nice things they did during their time off. Some of them spoke about hotels and aeroplanes and others about family gatherings and outings. It was really nice to see them so happy.

In Jewish studies they have been introduced the festival of Tu'Bishvat, the birthday of the trees. It links really well with our IPC topic and it was great to draw fruits and create some papier mache apples, pineapples and oranges. We also have asked the children about their knowledge of healthy and unhealthy food, to start introducing the concepts of healthy living and they created a collage representing their classification. It looked really good.

As the New Year has just started it was a great moment to set new goals or resolutions. The group understood the concept really well thanks to the special welcome assembly (and their behaviour was so good). They said things like "I want to swim better" or "I want to come happy to Nursery" or "I want to play more with my brother".

It would be great if you could give the children a picture taken during the holidays so they could speak about it during show and tell.

We wanted to remind you about two funding events happening in the school. One is the Mathatron that will start next week, to help with the Mathletics subscription and also, our school is raising money for Bee-Bots and Lego WeDo @ Rocket Fund. Can you help? <https://rocket.fund/p/etzchaimprimaryschool/> Please donate and share! Thanks for your help.

The Nursery Team

