

NEWSNOTES



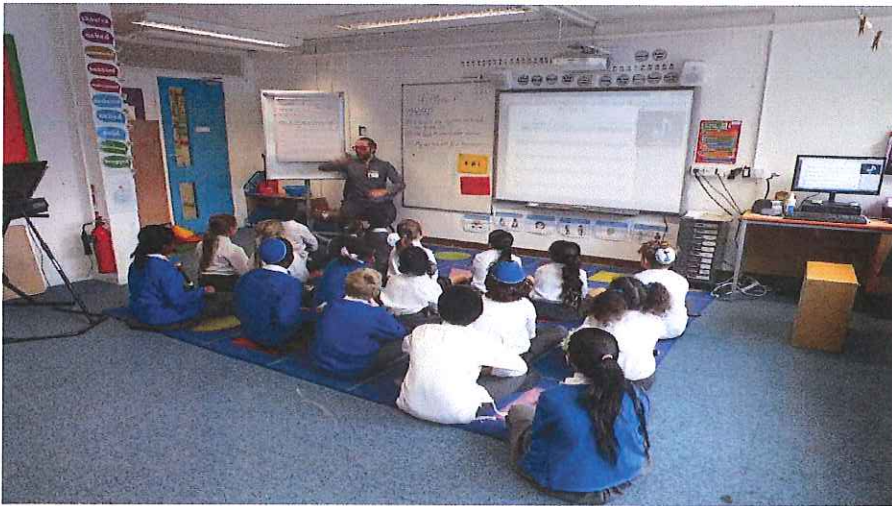
Friday 29th September 2017 9 Tishrei 5778

Yom Kippur begins tonight at 18.29p.m. and ends tomorrow evening at 19.27p.m.

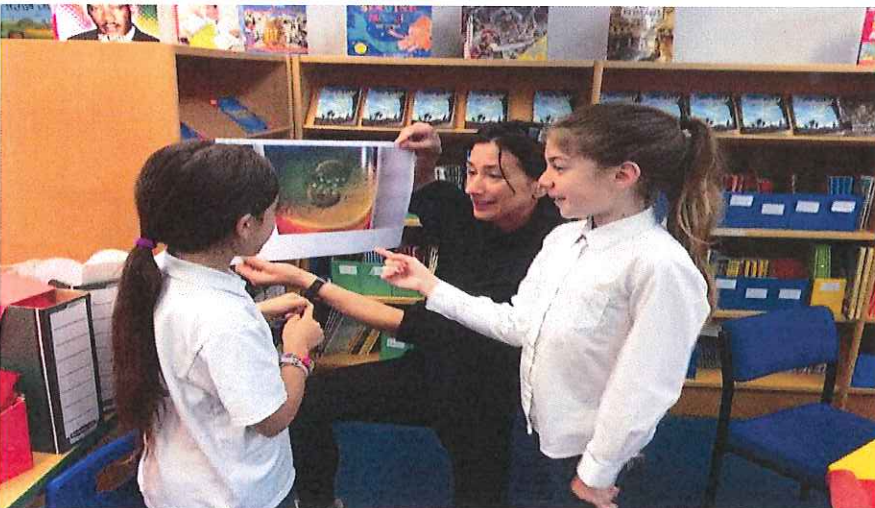
Headteacher's message

Dear Parents and carers,

We have been very busy since our last newsnotes. Pupils have been working hard in all subjects. Our music lessons have now started and Mr Russel has been working with everyone. Upper school have started working with notation and learning to play the recorder.



We have also had our 'Genes for jeans' day and we raised £65 for the cause. Pupils came in wearing jeans and donated £1 towards the charity. As always we took the opportunity to learn more about genes. Ms. Emma Green, a geneticist and a parent came in and led an assembly and explained to us what genes are and how they are like a book for our bodies to read.



Pupils were very interested and had lots of questions for Ms Green, both during our assembly and after.

Upcoming events:

We will be hosting our first 'Bring a dad/significant male' into school event on **Thursday 19th of October from 9.00-10.15am**. Please reserve this date for your child/ren. Mums and other family members- you will also get your turn!

I wish you all a restful weekend.

Ms Metin
Headteacher

Yom Kippur

Yom Kippur falls on Shabbat this year and the children have been learning about how Yom Kippur is a 'Shabbat Shabbaton,' a 'sabbath of sabbaths' so that instead of having our lovely Shabbat meals, adults will be fasting for the whole of Shabbat. It is the holiest day in the Jewish calendar and our value for this week is Yirah: Awe and Wonder. On Yom Kippur we are accessing the spiritual part of ourselves by not eating, drinking or wearing leather shoes and by praying most of the day, adding a fifth service to the usual four we would have on a festival or Shabbat. We wish everyone a meaningful and easy fast.

Year 6 have been baking apple and honey biscuits and Year 5 have been writing cinquain poems about Yom Kippur. All years have started decorating our sukkah, which we look forward to using over Sukkot.

Ms Pieters