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Friday 1st March 2019 24 Adar 1 5779 Parsha Vayakhel

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Headteacher's message

Dear Parents and Carers,

The lead up to half term was very busy in school. We had a 'digital/internet safety' day delivered to all pupils by Streetwise. Pupils discovered more about online safety and the importance of not giving out details to unknown people. Please check the suitability of online games and be aware that children may experience pop ups which encourage them to 'do' things they may otherwise not have thought of.



Key stage 2 pupils enjoyed and participated in the Orna Porat production celebrating spoken Ivrit.



There was a good balance of English and Ivrit speaking. Many thanks to Ms David and Ms Cohen for additional language teaching in preparation for the show!

We would like to congratulate Ms Morgan on the birth of her twin girls, Bonnie and Nancy. We wish them all the best.

This week we were really excited about having the Shabbat UK dome in school. We also had an assembly delivered by Tribe who gave out many beach balls as prizes.



Once inside the dome we listened to 2 stories narrated by the Chief Rabbi and danced to Lecha Dodi. It was a truly memorable experience.

Upcoming events:

- 5th March – Art exhibition (3.45pm)
 - 7th March- Yr 2 Sat's meeting (3.45pm)
 - 14th March- Yr 3&4 class Assembly
 - 15th March- Red Nose Day
 - 20th March 7pm onwards- Megillah Reading
 - 21st March - Purim Assembly & Purim Party
 - 3rd April- Bring a mum/significant female into school morning
 - 4th April - Yr 1&2 class Assembly
 - 4th April- Parents Evening**
 - 12th April- End of term- 1.30pm finish
- Please join us if you can.**

Ms Metin- Headteacher

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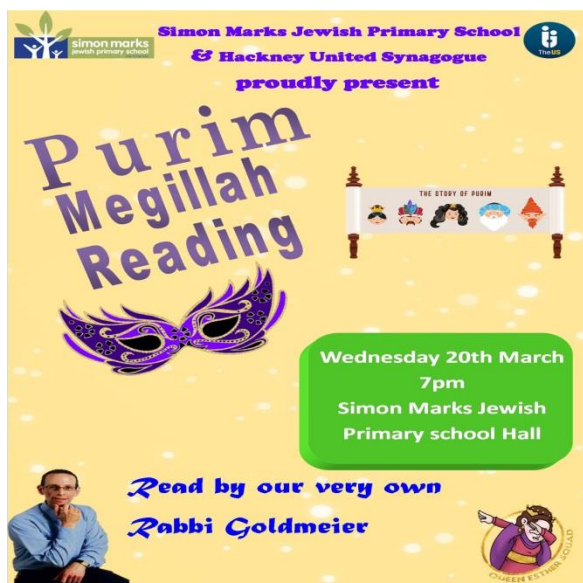
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Message from our Jewish Studies Department:

Shabbat Shalom and welcome back after half term. It is indeed the Special Shabbat UK celebrations this weekend, with celebrations going on up and down the country showing why Shabbat is so special. The Dome and assembly here at Simon Marks was indeed a lifelong fantastic memory for the children (and some parents alike).

As we look ahead now to Purim, we begin to bring the joyous festivities to life. Our very own Rabbi Goldmeier will be leading the Megillah at Simon Marks hosted by Hackney United Synagogue. We would be delighted to have as many families joining us as possible and we look forward to sharing this wonderful Mitzvah.



During the next few weeks the children will be learning about Purim and preparing for Pesach. They have already started to learn and revise Pesach songs and prayers for the Model Seder and we will be learning various aspects of these festivals.

FREE STAY AND PLAY SESSIONS

Simon Marks Jewish Primary School runs free 'stay and play' sessions for 2 year olds. These will be held every Friday between 9.00am and 11.00am. This provision is free. This is a great opportunity for young children and parents to get together and use our Early Year's facilities and getting young children ready for school.

If you are interested in joining us for any of these events then please contact the school office on: 02088066048 or alternatively you can email us at info@simonmarks.hackney.sch.uk

We look forward to welcoming you to Simon Marks.

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