

NEWSNOTES



Friday 24th of May 2019 19 Iyyar 5779 Parshah: Behar

Shabbat begins tonight at 8.44 p.m. and ends tomorrow evening at 10.01 p.m.

Headteacher's message:

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the weather warms up please remember to ensure your child has a bottle of water with them, we encourage pupils to drink plenty of water during break and lunch times but a bottle in class also helps keep them hydrated throughout the day. This week we have been focussing on keeping healthy, through walking to school. We had a special assembly hosted by Mr Gilani and the Local authority. The mascot joined us!



A huge thank you to Ms Sev who was dressed up as the mascot!

Simon Marks welcomed our new gardener Will to the team on Tuesday. Pupils in Years 3 and 4 made a good start to preparing the garden- they cleared some of the overgrowth and started preparing the soil ready for new seeds to be planted. The pupils learnt lots about how to grow plants from seeds and about the life cycle of plants.



Every week a different class will have time for some gardening with Will.

Upcoming dates for your diaries:

10th June- Shavuot- school closed

14th June- Class photo day

3rd July- Bring a Grandparent/significant elder into school day

5th July- Sports day

9th July- Summer Fair 3.30pm-6.00pm

11th July- Parents evening

11th July- Charity fund raising event (evening)

12th July- End of term concert (musical)

26th July- End of term- 1.30pm finish

I wish you all a peaceful and restful half term break.

Ms Metin- Headteacher

Message from our Jewish Studies Department:

Dear Parents and Carers,

Shalom,

It has been such a memorable time at Simon Marks. I would first like to thank everybody who attended the Memorial Service; it was a deeply moving and meaningful experience.

As we reached the 33rd day of the Omer, the children enjoyed a very special Lag B'Omer. We had an amazing barbecue lunch outdoors and some parachute games. The children really enjoyed themselves. I would like to thank the Kitchen staff and everybody who helped make it such a success.



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The day finished with the announcing of the Winners of the Kite making competition. The children throughout the school had worked so hard to make some truly fantastic kites.

The Winners were: Yr 5 & Yr 6 Individual kite

Year 3 & 4 - Class Kite

Mr Matthew Dodd – Parent Kite



Congratulations to all the winners and a big thank you to everyone who took part. Happy flying!

As we near the end of the Omer, we look ahead to Shavuot, the festival of the giving of the Torah. The children will be making some delicious food as is traditional for Shavuot.

We wish you all a safe and happy half-term holiday.

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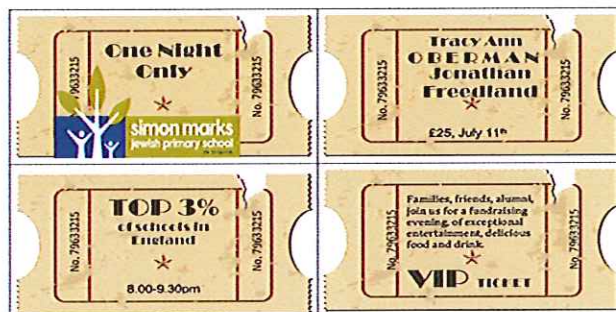
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A fundraising evening for SMJPS

At Simon Marks 11th July 8pm with



Tracy Ann Oberman - actor, writer, star of EastEnders, Doctor Who and Friday Night Dinner and the presenter of the new Trolled podcast - has become one of the nation's leading fighters against online anti-Semitism. At 8pm on Thursday July 11, she'll be in conversation with Jonathan Freedland, the award-winning Guardian columnist, presenter of BBC Radio 4's The Long View and long time Simon Marks governor. They'll discuss her work, her career and the present – and future – of the British Jewish community. With all proceeds raised going to the school, join them for an evening of light food, desserts, entertainment and stimulating conversation.

Tickets available from reception
Or
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<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/one-night-only-tracy-ann-oberman-and-jonathan-freedland-tickets-62177612914>