## NEWSNOTES



Friday 26th July 2019 23 Tammuz 5779 Parashat: Pinchas

Shabbat begins tonight at 8.44 p.m. and ends tomorrow evening at 9.55 p.m.

## Headteacher's message:

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow- I can't believe we have reached the end of another academic year.

School reopens for pupils on Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup> of September.

We wish our year 6's all the best in their new secondary schools. They have had an amazing year and we are really proud of their achievements. They will all be missed and very welcome to come back and visit us when they have days off.

All our pupils have had a successful year, both academically and socially. We have happy learners and a fantastic Simon Marks family.

As always, in September, we will be having a **'Meet the teacher'** parents meeting on our return. This will be taking place after school on **Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> of September from 3.45pm onwards.** This is always a great opportunity to meet your child's new class teacher and find out about the upcoming curriculum and events taking place in school.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your on-going support with everything that we do.

I wish you all a peaceful summer break and look forward to seeing you all in September.

Ms Metin- Headteacher

## Message from our Jewish Studies Department:

We would like to congratulate the Year 2 children on their wonderful and heartfelt presentation at the Chagigat HaSiddur last week. The children all used their Siddur with pride at the Shabbat assembly the following day.

As we come to the end of another school year, we would like to take this opportunity of thanking Mrs David and Mrs Cohen for all their hard work in Ivrit. We would also like to show our appreciation to all the other members of staff and parent volunteers, for all their contributions to Jewish Studies.



We congratulate the winner of the Morris Garfield award for Jewish Studies. She has shown continuous enthusiasm and in-depth knowledge of Judaism throughout her time at Simon Marks. We wish her and all her fellow Year 6 pupils continued

success for the next stage of their education. We feel confident that the children are leaving Simon Marks equipped with the tools to lead a life based on Jewish values.

For your information, the dates of the forthcoming festivals in the Autumn term are as follows;

Rosh Hashanah (New Year) - 30<sup>th</sup> September-1<sup>st</sup> October

Yom Kippur – 9<sup>th</sup> October

Succot and Simchat Torah – 14<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Chanukah – 23<sup>rd</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> December (Chanukah performance is on 12<sup>th</sup> December)