# NEWSLETTER



Friday 29th November 2019 1 Kisley 5780

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### Headteacher's message:

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy and exciting week we have had! KS2 pupils started the week with workshops from Thames explorers. They learned a lot about the River Thames and London. Pupils have given me some fantastic feedback. We then worked really hard on Science, Wednesday was our science exhibition day.



Years 5 and 6 dissected hearts as part of their science day work! Pupils were intrigued to find and name parts hidden away.



Year 3 and 4 worked on light and shadows and went on to create a puppet show.

On Thursday we invited dads and significant males into school. We had a fantastic turn out so thank you to everyone who took the time to join pupils in school.



Here are some dads and significant males in a PE lesson.



Nothing beats 1:1 working together.



Here are some of our dads who stayed for tea and coffee. Thank you all.

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Please remember to book your place for parents evening. It's really important that everyone gets the opportunity to listen to their child's successes in school.

Upcoming dates for your diary:

5<sup>th</sup> December- **Parents Evening** 12<sup>th</sup> December- Chanukah assembly- 2.00pm -3.30pm

19<sup>th</sup> December- end of term-1.30 finish

Ms Metin- Headteacher

#### Message from our Jewish Studies Department:

Over the last couple of weeks the children have been learning an array of subjects. Early Years have been exploring the different blessings said before eating food and the various traditions of Shabbat, such as eating Challah, lighting the Shabbat candles and saying Kiddush over grape juice.

Years 1 and 2 have been learning about the order of blessings said before food and drink. They have learned that bread is the most important food and the blessing said before eating bread is therefore most important.

Years 3 and 4 have looked at some of the prayers said in the morning and have focused particularly on showing our appreciation as we wake up to a new day and start our daily activities.

Years 5 and 6 have been learning about the episodes of Avram and Sarah. They have been reading the Hebrew of the Chumash and translating key words, as well as applying some of the good character traits to their own lives.

Hebrew Reading – Every child is given the opportunity to practice their Hebrew reading each week and the children use the Aleph-Champ Hebrew reading scheme or they read from a Siddur or Chumash. Thank you to the parents who read with the children and if you are able to support children's Hebrew reading on a Wednesday or Thursday afternoon, it would be much appreciated.

We would like to extend our thanks and appreciation on behalf of Camp Simcha, for all the toys and games that were so kindly donated. These toys will be distributed to children who are unwell in hospital, to bring a smile to their faces!

Although Chanukah is being celebrated this year in the Winter holidays, we are nevertheless looking forward to our Chanukah assembly on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm in the school hall. All parents are invited to attend.

We wish all our families a Shabbat shalom and a nice weekend.

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