

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



simon marks
jewish primary school

תורה עם דרך-ארץ

Friday 7th March 2025

7 Adar 5785

Parasha: Tetzaveh & Zachor

Shabbat time: Starts Friday at 17.36 and ends Saturday at 18.40

- 13th March– Staff Purim performance 2.00pm
- 14th March– Purim/World book day dress up and Science show
- 27th March– Parents evening– more info to follow
- 7th April– Lower school model seder (Times tbc)
- 8th April– Upper school model seder (Times tbc)

We were able to take a small number of pupils to Wembley, to watch the Lionesses play Spain. This was a phenomenal experience for our staff and pupils.



We were part of 46,000 supporters. Most of us had sore throats the next day!

Meanwhile some of our pupils were busy developing their design and technology skills with Mrs. Daines as they made 'Spaghetti'



Making the pasta was fun but tasting the actual pasta was even better.



This time learning was fun and tasty!

Year 5 wanted to show off their holiday homework. Their topic for this half term is 'Earth and Space' and they had a go at making models of planets in our solar system.



Models were beautiful!

Purim begins next Thursday evening, when the Megillah is read in the Synagogue and everyone listens to the story of Esther and Mordechai and the miracles G-d performed to save the Jewish people from the wicked plot of Haman. In the 4th Century BCE, Haman wanted to kill all the Jews on 13th Adar. But because of Queen Esther's bravery, G-d ensured that she was able to save her people.

As a result of G-d saving the Jewish people, Jews around the world celebrate this festival by sending gifts of food and drink to each other, giving money to charity and eating a hearty meal known as a Mishteh. We do these things on Purim, because this is exactly how the Jewish people at the actual time of the story celebrated the fact that G-d had saved them.

We also have Purim traditions, such as eating Oznei Haman (Hamantashen) and dressing up.

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