



Special points of interest:

- Reception pupils enjoying the snow
- Growth and spring
- Subject focus - science and maths
- Inclusivity in all we do
- Our wider community
- Let's celebrate!

Celebrations for all seasons

Welcome to the second issue of WIJPS — 'MY STARS' Newsletter for the academic year 2016 -17. The spring term provided us with weather for all seasons and as Spring broke forth, with Tu Bishvat, so our school came alive, with a whole raft of in-house and community events, both academic and faith based.

Our younger pupils enjoyed discovering the snow, and new life in the form of ducklings, whilst our older pupils delved deeper into explosive science during our science week.

World Book Day provided opportunities for dance, drama, collaboration and sharing of favourite books, and whilst we did not dress up this year, we made up for this with the zaniest of costumes at Purim.

Throughout the term, our pupils have continued to demonstrate their commitment and reverence to their faith in their participation of the wide variety of events offered, from the very personalised Sedarim, as we approached Pesach and reverential recognition of others through commemoration of Yom Hashoah and Yom Hazikaron as well as their own participation in the local sporting 'wheel-power' events.

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Throughout all, a clear commitment has shone through to: persevere with ambition, energy and enthusiasm as great ambassadors for our school. Well done to all!



Reception pupils discovering and enjoying the snow at the start of term. Sadly not enough for a snowman this time...



... and spring breaks forth, and the pupils's creativity blossoms for Tu Bishvat

Key Stage One - I love coming to school, learning about my faith

Creativity continues with models made from fruit...



Pupils enjoyed learning about Tu Bishvat with the Jewish Studies department, sampling the best range of fruit ever in school and then using their talents to create characters from fruit samples.

Right: samples of all the fruit received from parents—the pupils said they enjoyed their best fruit party ever!



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Scientists in the making

In February, we celebrated Science Week with our Year 5 pupils having the opportunity to visit Kantor King Solomon (KKS) for a special series of science experiments.

All classes then held their own in house science fair, which enabled all of the pupils in WIJPS to swap classes and share their experiments.



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SUCCESS STORIES PAST AND PRESENT

KKS 6th form volunteers, many of whom are past pupils, come weekly to WIJPS to hear our pupils read.



Neil Martin, past pupil, receives an OBE from Prince Charles.



Year 3 and 4 pupils have learnt how to measure angles and even measured the earth!



We are all stars at WIJPS! - whatever our subject focus - our students past and present.

KS2 pupils participating in wheelchair sports at Redbridge Sports Centre.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

THERE FOR OTHERS IN A SPIRIT OF RESPECT!

Our WIJPS Choir performed at the annual Boys' Town Jerusalem Concert and school captain representatives from year 6 marked the Holocaust Memorial Day at Valentines Park, at which time Redbridge Borough Head of School Improvement commended pupils on their exemplary behaviour.



WORKING WITH SEED FOR PURIM

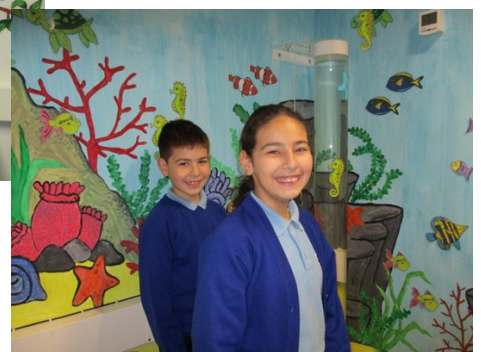
Much fun was enjoyed by pupils, parents and grandparents as pupils from class 1S made clown greggars for Purim — the pupils of classes 1/2P and 2M are already looking forward to similar experiences in the summer.



IN MEMORIAM

Honouring and respecting past members of the community — with the dedication of our sensory room — entitled 'Sensational Room', to the memory of Kay Cohen.

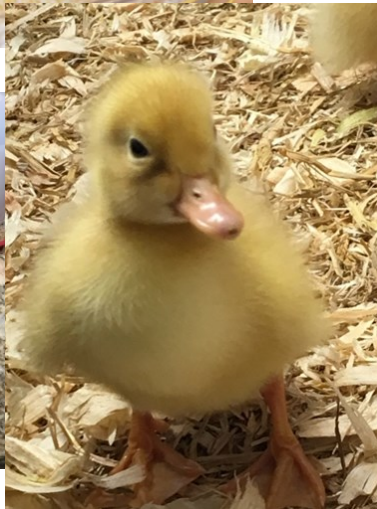
Havering Jewish Ladies Committee donated a new Citizenship Cup to recognise the pupil in school that had shown the most compassion during the past year. This year the cup has been awarded to Hannah Scarry.



Awe and wonder has continued with our furry visitors to year 1

Our children turned farm workers as they kept close watch of their ducklings hatching and growing before sadly being returned to the farm.

It was with heavy hearts the children and staff said goodbye as they had grown fond of our newest family members.



FOCUS ON FUN

Purim provided plenty of opportunity for staff and pupils to celebrate in style — fashion or otherwise.



Whilst our older children in Year 5 got to grips with the serious business of hockey lessons, the whole school thoroughly enjoyed being put through their paces by ex-England Rugby player Catherine Spencer... even Mrs Elliker!

Final Celebrations this term

Every Jewish festival is a time to celebrate — our school Sedarim with local Rabbonim and Yom Ha'atsmaut in the school playground to the delight of KKS staff and pupils.



The School Choir at the Yom Hashoah event at Allianz Park

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VISION STATEMENT

WIJPS is a 'seedbed of learning', where 'everyone is a leader'. Within our school we ensure that every child is provided with an opportunity to enjoy success and achievement.

To achieve this, we:

Work to ensure that the school is a positive, challenging and stimulating learning environment

Encourage high standards in all aspects of school life

Promote a positive commitment to modern orthodox Judaism and a sense of identity with Israel

Foster self respect, respect for others and the wider community

We believe in:

Encouraging the enjoyment of learning

Working together as a staff to develop a common sense of purpose

Setting targets for success

Providing quality teaching consistently in all subjects

Monitoring and evaluating the achievement and attainment of pupils and the quality of education provided by the school

Striving continuously to raise standards in every aspect of school life

Encouraging parents to work in partnership with staff

Developing the school as a community and its relationship with the wider community

Supporting staff in developing their own knowledge, skills and capabilities

Ensuring that the school environment is clean, bright, well-maintained and providing a stimulating climate within which pupils are motivated to learn

Encouraging awareness and pride in the Jewish heritage and culture

Developing in each pupil a commitment to Judaism and a sense of identification with the state of Israel

Encouraging trust, self-respect, honesty and confidence, recognising their own strengths and areas for development

Providing opportunities for pupils to widen their horizons and increase their self-confidence

Encouraging achievement as defined in the broadest sense

Developing pupils' awareness of the environment and British values through cross-curricular activities, that reflect political, social and economic life in Britain today and prepare our children for their future lives as British citizens

Providing opportunities for pupils to contribute to the wider community

Instilling pupils with a sense of pride in the presentation of themselves and their work

Ensuring that all aspects of school life are managed efficiently, effectively, fairly and with a sense of purpose

Encouraging everyone working within and with the school to give of their best at all times



Recent awards at the school

Outstanding teaching awards: Mrs Lisa West; Mrs Deborah Harris; Mr Michael Mallach

Sustainable Travel Awards LfL — 2012-2106 — Bronze Award

Sainsbury's Games Bronze 2012-2016



Further information
as it emerges will be
available soon on
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