



'WIJPS STARS' Newsletter



Special points of interest:

- * Announcing the new year - blowing the shofar
- * Building leadership skills and pupil voice
- * Meeting the challenge of running a small business venture
- * Community party mood
- * Budding writers
- * Across the curriculum
- * A very special guest visits
- * Remembering - 100 years on
- * Keeping up the pace
- * Chanukah has arrived
- * Stars all round in and out of school

A joyous start to the year!

'WIJPS STARS' Newsletter for the academic year 2018-19. What a joyous start to the year it has been with Rabbi singer blowing the shofar to bring in the new academic year in brilliant sunshine. One of our children's first wishes was to plan for some new fundraising events for the year. With such a positive start, each week has brought us further opportunities to share and enjoy further celebrations and successes and continue

to grow academically, socially and in our faith. Rabbi Davis joined the staff for the first day of INSET and we revisited the importance of our ethos and rhythm and heartbeat of the school. We reflected on the rich tapestry brought by our non-Jewish families, which enhance our knowledge and provide opportunities to find similarities and common goals. This was reinforced further through the commemorations and

memories shared for the 100 year memorial on Remembrance Day and built upon through Mitzvah Day in November and Chanukah celebrations in December. Our Year 6 pupils have taken a much greater lead this year and supported the development of a whole-school council, prefect roles which have highlighted the care and attention needed to run the school and

Inside this issue:

Community - tea in the Succah	Pg. 1
Leadership matters	Pg. 2
Enabling Enterprise Challenge Day	Pg. 3
Mitzvah Day and more	Pg. 4
Inspired to write!	Pg. 5
Broadening the curriculum	Pg. 6
The Chief Rabbi visits	Pg. 7
Lest we forget - 100 years!	Pg. 8
Many ways to remember	Pg. 9
Chanukah celebrations	Pg. 10
Termly highlights &	Pg. 11
Citizenship award	11
Contact details & awards	Pg. 12

representation of views with our regular visits from our MP and members of the Board of Deputies.

As the term ends, we look forward with interest, to see what 2019 has in store and the further development of new and revisited learning opportunities across the school.



Leadership matters!

The Year 6 pupils demonstrated their skills learnt over the past year through Enabling Enterprise, showing the effectiveness of team-work and leading collaboratively, as they participated in the annual "Tishrei's Got Talent" - organised by Tribe.



From top to bottom, the pupils have been demonstrating their skills through a wide range of whole school activities this term. Year 6 have led each event skillfully and independently, organising and presenting their ideas for all to see, being creative and problem solving, as they worked together as a collaborative team, always aiming high. This has included being group leaders for the school council and sharing their knowledge of WWI for Armistice Day. All aimed high and all achieved their best! We look forward to more Year 6 ventures in the spring and summer terms.



Simchat Torah

Our younger children enjoyed getting in on the act too with flag making following the Reception children's visit to KSHS synagogue in the summer.



‘WIJPS STARS’ Newsletter

“Enabling Enterprise”

Pupil Challenge Day

Pupils had a great time ‘running their own business’, by making cards for the festive season, and raising money for charity and for the school. They dug deep and drew on all the same Enterprise Skills, that Year 6 had shown earlier in the term.

They then sold their products to parents and, having deducted the costs of the materials from their sales, produced a profit of over £140. Well done to all involved!



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Mitzvah Day

Pupils in Year 6 led the collection of items for our three named charities on Mitzvah Day:

Camp Simcha;

Lids for Lupus

and Redbridge Food Bank...



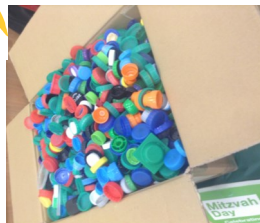
Toys for Camp Simcha



Food Bank collection

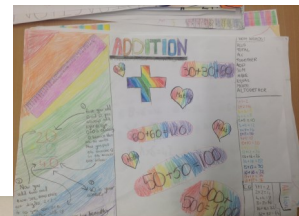


Lids for Lupus



Maths resources were made to support learning through One Child Ghana

Fraction	Decimal	Diagram	Out of 100	Percentage
1/10	0.1		10/100	10%
2/10	0.2		20/100	20%
3/10	0.3		30/100	30%
4/10	0.4		40/100	40%
5/10	0.5		50/100	50%



The Israeli Dance group performed and shared stories with elderly residents at Vi and John Rubens residential home.



6M topped up their tzedakah funds on the penultimate day of term raising money for Redbridge food bank, Camp Simcha and WIJPS



Pupils enjoyed a celebration of green pledges at school assembly.

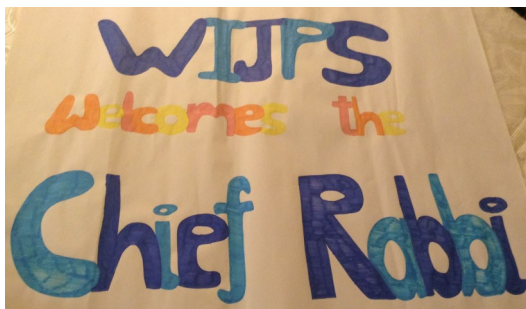


Reading inspired writing... starting with visits from Billy Bob Buttons and Pauline Fynn



Pupils used ideas from authors' visits to inspire their own writing and designed a range of book covers to decorate the school - showing their depth of love for books and reading





Our Head Boy and Head Girl, Zak Cohen and Poppy Harris, greeted the Chief Rabbi with Mrs Elliker.



All the children had been working hard to learn "Lecha Dodi" in readiness to be filmed for a video for Shabbat UK 2019.



All sat eagerly awaiting the arrival of the Chief Rabbi.



The performance was amazing and the school was praised by all our visitors, both filming and taking part, for the singing and dancing experience.



The Chief Rabbi was especially impressed and vowed to visit us for a longer period of time in school in the not too distant future.

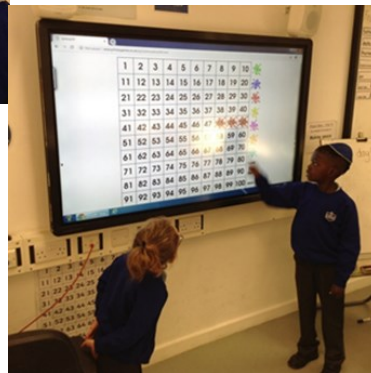
Across the curriculum... whilst we are focusing on writing this year, all opportunities are explored in our exciting curriculum



Year 5 have focused on still life - very seasonal with pumpkins, so good you want to eat them! On the subject of eating - Breakfast Club members were also very arty and focused on 100 years of remembrance and winter scenes.



"Clevertouch" was launched - thanks to our Friends and PTA Committee being really 'hands on!'"



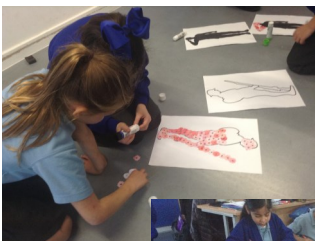
Whilst more 'little' hands got to grips with drawing leaves and manipulating i-Pads and starting Beebots coding!



Lest we forget!...



... Year 6 presented a spine-tingling assembly evoking depth of feeling from all in the room with their heartfelt renditions of poetry, facts and stories from WWI



Following their own historical investigations in Year 6, the pupils facilitated a commemorative event for WWI in all classes across the school. They reminded their peers that, as well as this being a way to respect those who fell in World War I, it was also important to remember that a soldier - Momčilo Gavrić - in the Serbian military - was younger than them when he died as a fighting soldier, aged eight.

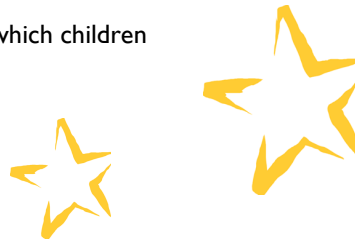
This initiative came from two pupils in Year 6 who galvanised their whole year group (with a little help from the grown ups in Year 6!)

United Nations Article 38 (war and armed conflicts) states: Governments must not allow children under the age of 15 to take part in war or join the armed forces. Governments must do everything they can to protect and care for children affected by war and armed conflicts.



We will not forget, and this year children and staff showed they remembered in many ways

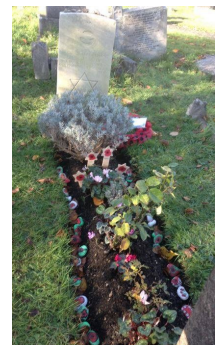
ABF, the soldiers' charity visited the school for Tefillah, at which children wore red, white and blue.



Retired: Captain Simon Ferrier said, "It was a privilege and honour to attend your school assembly - the children singing in Hebrew were very moving. The soldiers and I thoroughly enjoyed talking to the children, they had some good questions."



As part of their studies in Year 6, the pupils made commemorative stones which they later took to lay at Harry Jassby's grave in St. Peter's Church, Newbury Park, recognising the unusual circumstances of a Jewish pilot from Fairlop being laid to rest in a Christian burial ground.



Final Celebrations this term: We succeeded in our challenge to “walk the daily mile” and table tennis puts a spring in our steps. Whilst Reception pupils showed us how energetic and fit they keep themselves every day! - Phew!



Chanukah celebrations

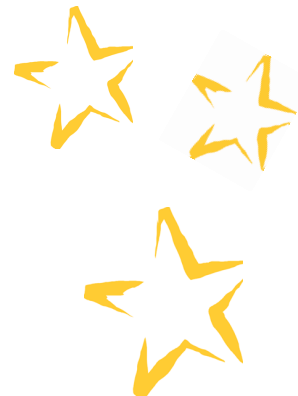
Checking eggs and fruit and vegetables, making Challah and grape juice all formed part of our pupils' activities in Jewish Studies. Children learned the story of Chanukah through interactive freeze frames and Year 5 began to decorate their class with Chanukah images.



Our community champion - celebrated... Zakai Gonshaw - Year 6

The quietest of pupils, but with the biggest of hearts. Zakai Gonshaw has been awarded with the Havering Jewish Ladies Compassion Award.

His speech for the role of playground prefect and caring for others summed up his actions, not just this year, but every year. No one need ever feel alone again! Well done Zakai! We hope you will find lots of friends at secondary school too. Wishing you every continued success!



Forest Road, Ilford, Essex
IG6 3HB

Phone: 020 84981350
Email: office@ijpsonline.co.uk
Web address: www.ijpsonline.co.uk



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



School awards – Further information, as it emerges, will be available on our school website:

<http://www.ijpsonline.co.uk/>



Pajes outstanding teachers awards: Mrs Lisa West; Mrs Deborah Harris;
Mr. Michael Mallach & Miss Naomi Harris



Sustainable Travel Awards LGFL - 2012-2017 - Bronze Award & Sainsbury's Games
Bronze - 2012-2017 & International School Award - Foundation Stage 2018



SENCO Award - Mrs G. Hart 2017

Rights Respecting Recognition & Commitment - 2017

