



6th December 2018

This week is the last of our Chanukah theme. We will conclude with our Chanukah Coffee Concert on Friday. We hope to see you all with your children at 9 am for the Four's parents and 10 am for the 3's parents. We will enjoy singing with the children before coffee and doughnuts. For the remainder of this term we will focus on child initiated activities. We finish this term on Wednesday 19th December at 12 noon/12.15.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOU NEED TO UPDATE YOUR ELIGIBILITY FOR 30 HOURS CHILDCARE EVERY 3 MONTHS [www.gov.uk]

Follow links to childcare and parenting then choose childcare.

Please urgently bring in a box of tissues for your key room as we have lots of runny noses this time of year.

<u>This Term's Events</u>	
Fri 7 th Dec	Children and Parents Chanukah Coffee Morning (No Gilah Sessions) 9am – fours group 10am – threes group
Wed 19 Dec	End of Term – CLOSE 12 noon/12.15

Please phone Room Mobiles as follows:-

Georgina, Caroline, Olivia, Vikki & Rachael's Groups:	07514 057765
Eve, Richelle, Fran, Aziza & Ella's Groups:	07599 549633
Anna, Claire & Rachel Groups:	07542 128133
Elise & Emma Hyman's Groups:	07514 052580

Please use these numbers if you wish to inform your keyworker if your child is ill, going to be late, has an appointment and won't be in. Also phone this number if somebody else will be picking up your child and you have not put this on the form. Please also use the numbers if you are running late and require your child to stay later at afternoon school. Please do not phone the office for any of the above reasons.

Please take your child's Gilah Bag home over the break and return it in January.

Please bring in a box of tissues, packet of baby wipes and make sure your child's spare clothes fit and are seasonally appropriate. Please make sure ALL clothes are named at the back of the neck/back of the waist, shoes named too please. If your child comes in wellingtons, please make sure your child has shoes to change into. Please make sure that spare clothes, nappies/wipes etc. and plastic bags are stored inside the Gilah shoe bag on your child's peg.

Gilah Fundraising

This year we would like to raise funds for an outdoor storage shed. The cost of the shed will be approx. £500, but the biggest cost will be the base and erection. If you know anyone who could help with this we would very much appreciate all offers, financial or practical.

2's

We have continued to sing lots of new songs about Chanukah, the children's most well liked song is "1 little 2 little candles".

Some of the children visited the Club Room and also the children in the Hall joining in with the three's singing. We had a fun time dancing along to action songs with Debra and lots of puppets.

In our class room we lit the Chanukah candles and said the blessing together (although the children covered their eyes thinking it was Shabbat!)

3's

We are in our last week of Chanukah and have been practising our songs and story to perform for you all on Friday. We have been busy making Chanukah props one being a saucepan with latkes made from a paper plate. We introduced cutting with training scissors and adult help to cut out a circle out of yellow paper for the oil - really good for encouraging their fine motor skills and a headband with a candle on again the children decorated the band with stickers - also good for their fine motor development. In Sports with Josh he played a game called "messy monkeys" where cones are placed around the room and the children had to move around them, flip them over and back again using their feet. Finishing off with "what's the time Mr Wolf", a firm favourite causing great excitement. This is the last week for Chanukah library books please can you make sure you send the book bags back at the beginning of each week with the books inside ready to choose again. We look forward to seeing you all at 10am Friday for our Chanukah concert.

4's

This week in the Rising 4's we have been celebrating Chanukah.

Every day we have lit the Chanukiah and we enjoyed a visit from Rabbi Chapper who talked about the dreidel. We did some Chanukah themed vegetable printing.

We made chocolate coins melting the chocolate and then wrapping the disc in foil.

As we continue to gain independence we are learning to put on coats and carefully do up the zip.

Pulling up the zip after a teacher has held the zip in place.

Birthdays

Thank you for the book donations from this week's birthday children, we really appreciate all donations of new books, especially those which your child has enjoyed.

We would love to have donations to buy a book for the nursery. Please send your donation in an envelope marked with your child's name and 'book'. Once we have bought the book and stuck in the label with your child's name and the occasion of the donation, we will send it home for you to read with your child and then return to Gilah for the other children to enjoy.

**Mazeltov to Amelie Martin and Casey Frost who celebrate their 3rd birthday.
We wish them a very Happy Birthday and a happy healthy year.**

If you would like to bring in biscuits to celebrate your child's birthday please check with your keyworker which biscuits are suitable. Many Thanks.

**We wish you all Shabbat Shalom and a wonderful Chanukah
Chag Sameach.**