

# King David News



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## Shanah Tova - wishing you a sweet New Year

We are now in the period between Rosh Hashanah (the Jewish New Year) and Yom Kippur, otherwise known as the Day of Atonement. This year, Yom Kippur takes place on Monday 25th September, so school will be closed that day. Yom Kippur is the holiest day in the Jewish calendar. It is the day when G-d seals the judgement that has been made on Rosh Hashanah, concerning the future for all people and creatures in the forthcoming year. Jewish people wear white on that day to symbolise purity and they fast for 25 hours.



### Attention Reception, Y1 and Y2 RWInc Homework Information

All parents and carers (including those children with SEND) need to access their invites from their RWInc Group on Google Classroom. Not only will your child be set spellings from your child's RWInc teacher in their group in Google Classrooms, they will also be set Virtual Teaching Videos to watch at home to repeat and reinforce that week's learning. The links last 59 days so you can repeat learning and reinforce their understanding.

Y1 and Y2 will receive their first tasks tomorrow on Google Classroom. Reception families will receive their Google Classroom log-in information next Tuesday. If you have any questions, please see your child's Class Teacher or their RWInc teacher.

### Family briefings

Thank you to everyone who attended the Family briefings over the last two weeks, for each of the classes from Reception up to Y6. The last briefing took place this afternoon, which was open to all families to learn more about the RE, Hebrew Reading and Ivrit (Modern Hebrew) lessons in the school. All families should now have the termly letter, setting out important information about this term. If you have not got a termly information letter, please ask the Office for a copy.



### Macmillan Cancer Support

We are organising snacks and drinks for the children at breaktime on Friday 29th September, in return for a £1 donation to this fantastic charity. Children should bring their donations on Friday 29th, please - not before.

### PTA coffee morning

The PTA will also be hosting a coffee morning on Friday 29th September, to take place in the Nest - the building on the back field. As well as accepting donations towards Macmillan Cancer Support, parents will be able to share ideas for PTA activities this year - your thoughts are very welcome!

### Breakfast in the Sukkah

We are delighted to invite our Reception parents in to school on Thursday 5th October at 9:30am, for Breakfast in the Sukkah, as part of our celebrations of the festival of Sukkot. Further details to come - save the date!



Each day, bread, water and fresh fruit are available. There is also a daily sandwich option. The menu for next week is:

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Tuesday

Fish fingers & chips or vegetarian pizza;  
Lemon cookie

Wednesday

Roast beef or Quorn and veg pie, with  
roast potatoes and vegetables;  
Apple sponge and custard

Thursday

Meat and potato pie or tomato and basil  
pasta bake, with vegetables;  
Rice pudding

Friday

All day breakfast: Veggie sausage, toma-  
to, baked beans, egg wedge and hash  
browns;  
Chocolate brownie

*This menu is dependent on availability  
of ingredients and is subject to change.  
All cream and custard is non-dairy.*



## Friday night Kiddush

Every Friday afternoon the whole school comes together for a mock Friday evening Kiddush - the meal that

brings in Shabbat (the Sabbath day). Tomorrow is Y4's turn to help lay the table or sit and take part. As well as welcoming in Shabbat, we will be looking forward to the holy day Yom Kippur, which starts Sunday evening and finishes Monday at sunset. Therefore this week the kiddush assembly will begin slightly earlier, at 1:30pm. All parents are warmly welcomed to join us.



### Coming up...

Friday 22nd September, 1:30pm:  
Shabbat kiddush, led by Y4  
Monday 25th September:

School closed for Yom Kippur  
Friday 29th September, 8:50am:  
PTA coffee morning

Friday 29th September:  
Macmillan charity tuck, £1 donation

## Closure for Yom Kippur

Please note school is closed this Monday (25th September), for the holy day of Yom Kippur.

All the other festivals this autumn are taking place during the weekends, and so this will be the only additional school closure.

Our term dates are displayed on the school website at:

[kingdavid.org.uk/index.php/info/term-dates-2023-24](http://kingdavid.org.uk/index.php/info/term-dates-2023-24)



## Making good use of the School Planners

Have you had a look in your child's School Planner (Y1 to Y6)? There is a wealth of useful stuff. Check out page 12, where you have all the term dates for this year. However - apologies - there are a couple of mistakes on that page.

Please note that school is

closed on Wednesday 12th and

Thursday 13th of **June**, for the festival of Shavuot (not in May).



We have heard before how some parents struggle with supporting their child with their Hebrew reading homework. Although they should be able to do their homework without help, it can be useful to take a look at page 20, where the whole Hebrew Aleph-Bet is shown, with the sounds each letter makes.

## Shabbat Shalom

We will be lighting candles to welcome in Shabbat tomorrow evening by 6:49pm and Shabbat ends at 7:55pm on Saturday evening. In Synagogue this Shabbat, the portion of the Torah being read is "Parasha Ha'azina", giving us our Theme of the Week "Practising good middot". We see this as a type of **Derech Eretz** - a way of showing **Respect**. Derech Eretz is the D of KD STARS.



### Letters home:

Recorder whole class lessons (Y3)  
Recorder small group lessons (Y4)  
Violins small group lessons (Y4)  
Termly topic letters (all classes)