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## A stunning performance

Over the last few weeks, Y5 have been working with local artists Suriya Aisha and Jabez Walsh, as part of the Echo Eternal project. This incredible project used the testimony of Ms Lilit Pohlmann, a Holocaust survivor now living in London, for the children to produce a piece of performance art – incorporating singing, acting, dance, poetry and music. The class performed the piece at Singers Hill Synagogue on Tuesday and the audience were amazed and moved by the event. Even more incredible was the fact that everything was devised and written by the children themselves, with the artists only channelling their talents.

Well done to everyone involved. We look forward to seeing the completed film of the event, which will form part of a new Holocaust Remembrance Museum, to be built in the Palace of Westminster in London.



*The world can seem lonely, sad, unfair and cruel,  
though some people just pretend everything is cool.  
People are bullied, tormented and teased  
But some are nice to the bullies to make them appeased.  
But in truth the world is not a jungle, it's a super awesome  
place: everyone has a role, regardless of religion or race.  
We need to be there for the lonely, befriend the kid in need.  
We might not fix the world at once, but we can sow a seed.  
Every moment counts. Every second matters.  
When we fill the world with our light, the darkness shatters.  
We can give to the needy and support the weak,  
we can make them strong and powerful by the words we speak.  
So don't underestimate the power you contain.  
You can be the magnificent rainbow after the savage hurricane.  
So bros - choose kind over cool- don't let yourself be fools,  
'cause cool is being yourself not following others' wicked rules.  
We must learn the lessons from our history - never again.  
Life is for living: let's all write our best story then.*

*Ari Jacobs, Year 5 Pupil, for Echo Eternal*

## Shabbat Shalom



Shabbat begins each Friday evening. During the summer months, local synagogues in Birmingham welcome in Shabbat at 8pm, even though the sun really sets later than that. Shabbat will end at 10:25pm on Saturday evening. In Synagogue this Shabbat, the portion of the Torah being read is "Parshat Naso", which gives us our Theme of the Week "Shalom - Peace"

Each day, bread, water and fresh fruit are available. There is also a daily sandwich option. Here is the menu for after the half-term break:

### Monday

Tuna pasta bake or chickpea and sweet potato with rice;  
Shortbread cookie with fruit slices

### Tuesday

Homemade chicken goujons or vegetable samosa with fluffy rice;  
Fruity jelly chill

### Wednesday

Roast turkey, roast potatoes, stuffing and gravy, or Quorn and vegetable pie;  
Sultana flapjack

### Thursday

All day breakfast: Veggie sausage, tomato, baked beans, egg wedge, mushrooms and toast;  
Jaffa sponge cake and custard

### Friday

Breaded fish fillet with lemon and chipped potatoes, or tomato & roasted vegetable pinwheel;  
Chocolate Krispy cake

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

## GDPR update

The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) comes into force within days. This governs how companies and other organisations hold personal data about people. It will also apply to schools.

Personal information includes basic facts such as names, addresses, date of birth, even your personal likeness in a photograph. For a school, it will include more private information, such as whether a family is eligible for Free School Meals, a child's test results, and medical information. Many companies may only hold your personal data if you give explicit consent for them to do so. That's why you're probably receiving lots of emails now from companies, asking you to re-subscribe to their mailing lists. Some organisations, including schools, may also hold personal data, because of the special legal duty we fulfil. The school must hold a lot of data, as we have a legal obligation as public servants to run a safe and effective school. Data returns to the Local Authority are also a legal obligation, and so much of the information we hold on your child forms part of this. However the GDPR also requires us to think carefully about who we share the data with. When we put your child's image in the newsletter and on the Twitter feed, we are sharing some personal information, but this is not a necessary part of our work. This is why we ask for explicit permission for your child to appear in pictures online. We are currently in the process of considering all the information we have in school, of children, parents and staff, and considering what we need to hold, to be a safe and effective school, and what we must ask permission to hold.

We appreciate how important it is to keep personal information safe. While most data sources are protected behind lock and key or strong passwords, we are considering how to ensure that your data cannot be inappropriately shared with anyone who doesn't have the right to see it. Finally we will be looking at how long personal data should be kept. In the past, it was always believed that data should be kept for as long as possible, just in case it's needed. However there is now an obligation to delete, or anonymise, personal data for which there is no longer a justification for it to be kept. This will be a longer term project, and we will work with other schools to ensure that it is done correctly and safely.

### Coming up...

Friday 25th May, 1:30pm:

Shabbat Kiddush, led by Y6

Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June:

School closed for half-term holiday



## 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 Y6's turn to help lay the table or sit and take part. All parents are warmly welcomed to join us for this assembly at 1:30pm.



**Letters home this week...**  
Meeting (Parents of Reception in September 2018)