

THE GESHER GAZETTE

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The Bridge

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Coronation Celebrations

Last week the children had a fabulous time getting together as a whole school community to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III. We started to prepare for the big event on Thursday with classes from Gefen up to Gevurah involved in cooking either cookies or mini Victoria Sponge Cakes. We were really lucky to have parents supporting the children with their baking as well. On Friday, 5th May, we had a whole day dedicated to activities all about the Coronation. These activities ranged from cake decorating, various art activities including Union Jack photo frames and painting Union Jack jars, coronation-themed sensory activities and a kahoot quiz. The afternoon festivities started with a whole school photo which looked great with everyone dressed in their red, white and blue and with a Union Jack flag at the front. We then entered the hall for our 'indoor picnic' and the children enjoyed eating their delicious treats in their Union Jack picnic boxes and listening to traditional



music. One of the highlights of the afternoon was the tug-of-war events which were held in the playground. The children had so much fun playing against different classes and even against the staff! Finally, the

afternoon finished with a disco and everyone had so much fun dancing in the hall. It was great to see the whole school getting together, sharing a community feeling and the excitement of the event.



Summer Fete Help

Please consider volunteering to help make our Summer Fete as amazing as last year! We are looking for parents to help set up, and clear up, on the day and also to man some of the stalls (30-minute slots only so you have plenty of time to enjoy the Fete). Please contact victoria.rutter@gesherschool.com or tamaryn.yartu@gesherschool.com to volunteer. Thank you!

Kodesh Corner

On Lag B'Omer (the 33rd day of the Omer), the students had an Enrichment morning to get a hands-on understanding of the importance of learning Torah and what restrictions there are during the Omer (49 days between Pesach and Shavuot). From Shaving a teacher's head and beard, dancing Karaoke and going clothes shopping at our Gesher market, to honing their bows & arrow skills and making an arty bonfire, the students had great fun. We were very grateful that Laniado Hospital, our Tzedakah (Charity) partner for last term, gave us free tickets for last Sunday's Arsenal Vs Tottenham Legends game. The students who went had a great time and got some great photos with the legends.

Therapy Corner

With the sunny weather soon approaching, outdoor games are an amazing way to incorporate exercise, fresh air and social communication opportunities. At Gesher, there is an emphasis on supporting the students with game facilitation in the playground at all opportunities. As a result, students can connect with those outside of their cohort, bond over similar interests and enhance their overall well-being. For those children who require the support to facilitate, there are some great outdoor games that the students love that require minimal equipment. Gesher has taken some playground classics and given them a 're-vamp'. Try some of these games at the following link: <https://bit.ly/44RnRaP>