Clean Speech: Early Years (Key Stage 1) Ideas

1. Power of Speech

Make sure the students are aware of the power of speech; how speech can impact a person's day.

- Give some examples of the impact of negative and positive speech
- For more advanced classes, provide a scenario and see if they can suggest a response that involves positive speech and a response that involves negative speech
- Use stories from the Clean Speech website
- 2. Examples of clean speech.

Use examples of stories from the Torah of the use of positive and negative speech. For example:

- Hashem telling Sarah that Avraham was laughing at himself (when he was really laughing at Sarah) when Hashem assured him that they would have a child at such an old age
- The sin of the spies reporting badly about the Land of Israel
- Miriam saying a form of lashon hara against Moshe
- The brothers' harsh words against Yosef but his kind treatment of them when he later becomes viceroy of Egypt
- 3. Choosing our words

Use the Clean Speech post-it notes for the children to write positive messages to each other and to their parents

Or write something positive about someone else and decorate the piece of paper

4. Play the Clean Speech Snakes & Ladders Game (can be downloaded from the Clean Speech website)