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# OUR CHEDER'S VOICE

CHEDER CHABAD BOYS DIVISION

## LETTER FROM THE MENAHEL:

Dear Parents

This week's parshah, Beshalach, is one in which there is a reference to the future redemption, *geulah hoasidah*. Chazal tell us that the opening words or *shiras hayom*, *Az Yashir*, refer to the song which we will merit to sing with the arrival of *Moshiach*.

Just as at the *Yam Sof*, the children were the first to recognize and identify Hashem by saying 'זה קלי' וזאנוהו, so too, with the future redemption, our children will be the first to recognize Hashem.

Revealed G-dliness is the purpose of all of creation, and the children are the first to attain this ultimate purpose.

Reflecting on the position our children have in this most important area, inspires us to intensify our part in strengthening their bond to Hashem, His Torah and increasing their efforts in fulfilling *mitzvos behidur*.

Over winter break, we will have the opportunity to spend time with our children. I encourage you to set realistic expectations, allow your child to be imperfect with meeting the expectations and help them meet these goals. Don't sit back and wait to see what they will do on their own, we aren't observers, we are active participants in our children's lives B"H. This approach will replace disappointments with memorable highlights.

Wishing you a good Shabbos,

Rabbi Kaplan



SCHEDULE  
REMINDERS

Tuesday, February 2:

Parent Teacher Conference 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM

February 5-8: Mid Winter Vacation

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# A PEEK AT OUR WEEK

It was a busy week in the Cheder this week...

Mrs. Nadav's class' writing has really taken off. Their penmanship has become clearer with proper spacing and punctuation. Their sentences have also become increasingly more detailed. This week the class wrote about feelings with prompts such as, "write about a time you felt happy/ sad/ scared". For Tu B'shvat the boys wrote about which type of tree they might choose to be and why they chose it.

In math, the first graders have begun Chapter 6! They're working on numbers up to 120 and how to count by 10s from any number. The second graders have been doing two-digit subtraction. They know how to regroup when trying to subtract a larger number in the ones column from a number that is too small.

In honor of Tu B'shvat, the boys created a beautiful mural of a pomegranate tree on the wall. They also wrote the words Chamisha Asar B'shvat, Rosh Hashana L'ilanos as a collage of fruit pictures cut from magazines. Each boy made his own delicious edible tree from pretzels and melted chocolate. Yum! The class read a beautiful book about Tu B'shvat and the trees in an orchard, which emphasized that while we all may have things which are different from one another, there is much that is the same. We must look past the differences and get to know one another.

What a week both third grade classes had! Monday started with a bang as the boys enjoyed their STEM lesson with Dr. Schnitzel. He had them imagine they were trapped on an island and they had to build a boat in order to return home. The boys all got a chance to make their own boat out of different materials and to make sure the materials they used would enable the boat to float. And indeed, the third graders were up to the task, and they made boats that really floated in water!

On Tuesday, Mrs. Eckstein's class continued building on their math skills. They have completed through the 7 table. The boys were busy cutting out flash cards as they honed their skills to include basic algebra ( $3 \times n = 24$ ) and even beginning division. The new story this week discussed the way all 33 miners in Chile were saved 10 years ago. Mrs. Eckstein related to the boys that just last week there was a mine collapse in China, yet all 11 miners were saved. The class discussed mining and safety in the mines. On Wednesday Mrs. Eckstein distributed the Invention report papers, and the boys are busy thinking of inventions that will be useful to people! On Thursday, Iekovod Tu Beshvat the boys in the class competed with each other to see who could make the best dried fruit person.

A note from Mrs. Eckstein: Please make sure that your sons do their homework every night, and that they have enough pencils, tissues, etc. each day. Many boys do not have their books and supplies in school. This leads to unnecessary expenditures, when a simple look-around is all that is needed. Thank you.

There are always exciting things happening in Mrs. Volfman's third grade. In math this week they worked on the correlation between multiplication and division as a preparation to begin their division unit. They did many different activities to reinforce this concept. In writing the boys worked on creating an actual paragraph from the information they filled in their "write approach" writing templates. The class ended their week with an exciting Tu B'shvat project as well as current events.

Did you hear what the fifth grade boys are up to? Voting? There is great excitement and noise too!! The boys enjoyed their Tu B'shvat project sponsored by Cheder Chabad. Each boy received dried fruits and shaped them into a creative design. Ilan Ilan bamuh avarechicha..... Loads of yiddishe nachas!!

Have a wonderful Shabbos!

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# Student Of the Week



MAZEL TOV MOSHE ABEL ON HIS HANACHOS TEFILLIN!

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Shlomo Ptalis and Levi Konikov

Mazel Tov Levi Zavel Abenson on his Bar Mitzvah!



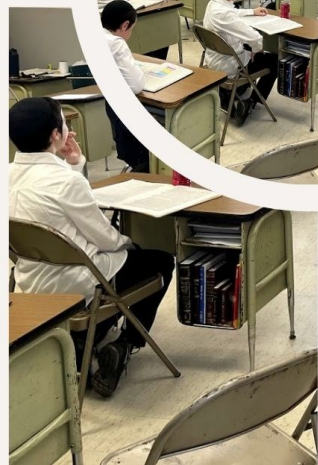
May You Have a Shnas Hatzlochah!



# 15 SHEVAT CRAFTS



# GRADE 8 FARHER WITH RABBI LUSTIG





## GRADE 2 TU B'SHVAT



## GRADE 4

## פרשת ויקחי SIYUM ON

## חומש בראשית



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## NEW BASKETBALL HOOPS

More Basket Ball Hoops at the Boys School

We have purchased and are in the process of installing 2 new basketball hoops at the boys school. The extra hoops will enhance the entire recess experience for our תלמידים.

Thank you Rabbi and Mrs. Naftali Marrus and Mr. and Mrs. Avraham Hayman for Co-Sponsoring the hoops



# GRADE 8 BOWLING TRIP

