

Our Cheder's VOICE



CHEDER CHABAD BOY'S DIVISION • PARENT EDITION

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4th November

פרשת לך לך

הדלקת נרות: 5:30

FROM *the* MENAHEL

Dear Parents,

In this week's parshah, the Rebbe asks: Avrohom was a great Tzadik who discovered Hashem with his own mind against all beliefs of the time, why did Hashem tell him to leave his mind, habits and wants saying "lech lecha"? Our version of this question goes like this: In the areas of our life in which we are dedicated to doing the right thing and we have made them a priority, an example of this being chinuch, why does Hashem tell us to leave our minds, hearts and habits behind? To deepen the question, there are areas in our lives in which we may neglect to do the right thing and fully actualize our potential. However, when it comes to raising our children, we live out our roles completely, we work tirelessly with all our facilities to raise our children. Why does Hashem instruct us to leave our efforts behind? The Rebbe explains that all Avrohom's efforts were man-made and limited and could not connect him to the infinite Hashem. Only by following Hashem's instructions and guidance can we transcend our limitations and connect to Him. In our role as parents and mechanchim, only by following the Torah's instructions can we transcend the world order of shtus and provide our children with their true Jewish experience and which connects them to Hashem and their own Neshomoh that is infinite. This brings about a truly joyous life as the Rebbe quotes regarding this week being a "freiliche voch". We are looking forward to greeting you this Sunday. Please keep in mind that there are no drop-ins. All slots are scheduled and spoken for. If you haven't yet, please bring along PTA dues to partner in the revitalized and refreshed efforts of the PTA. Thank you and good Shabbos

Rabbi Kaplan

SCHEDULE UPDATES



This Sunday, November 6

PTC 9:30. No School.

Tuesday, November 8

No Transportation Suffern Central

Friday, November 11,

No Transportation all districts

Chidon Test G4-G8

November 11, 16 Cheshvan

Happy Birthday!

Sholom DovBer Leitner,

Avraham Rubin, Dovi Setton

May you have a Shnas Hatzlochah!

TIP
OF
THE
WEEK

At PTC get the
teacher's # and
best time to call

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



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Working on our map skills, we had a large map of the USA hanging in the classroom and we explored news of the week in various states on the map, locating first the state that was in the news. We took our second math test on subtraction concepts, and we did really well. As an activity we each got unifix cubes and sticky notes and had such fun subtracting numbers with it. In our reading groups we explored the different characters in our stories. The students read the stories fluently and with the correct expression. On Wednesday we joined grades 1 and 2 in the cheder yard and together created a magnificent mosaic on the theme of fall, what fun that was!! Mrs. Mandel - Grade 1A It has been a busy week in Grade 1B. We are continuing to learn new phonograms as well as new red/sight words to help us be proficient readers. With every red/sight word we do a fun mini book that helps us remember the word. We had our first spelling test this week and the boys did a marvelous job! To add to our packed schedule this week we had an art lesson with Mrs. Jacobs where we made beautiful collages of leaf rubbings using oil pastels. Please notice our stunning art work hanging near our classroom. We also did a fun activity with chalk on the playground with the other first and second grades. Mrs. Volfman - Grade 1B In math we learned about odd and evens and we are currently learning place value. We used math cubes for a hands on experience. In reading we read 2 chapters in our reading book and learned how to add different suffixes to different words. For example in the word "careful" you don't erase the "e", but in the word "making" the "e" is erased. We learned new spelling words and had our first spelling test. Last week we learned about fall and this week we made a beautiful mosaic outside spelling out the word "Autumn" using chalk and tape. Looking forward to another successful week YIH! Rabbi Naparstek - Grade 2A Our class made cards, "Less than Larry", and "Gobbling Gator", to help identify the signs used when comparing numbers. We used the cards to compete in a game where the winning row raised the correct sign first. In the next chapter of our reader, Blake and Milo delay the family from leaving, for they are unhappy with their seat in the van. The boys related to this dilemma and shared their personal travel woes. The skill highlighted was Magic E, in which the silent E at the end, changes the vowel sound from short to long. Thankfully, the weather was so nice. A fun outdoor activity was enjoyed by all. (See the pics) Mrs. Levin - Grade 2B This past week seems to have flown by! The Talmidim have become proficient in "regrouping" in Math (aka "carrying") and had a test. This week we will be starting "regrouping in subtraction" (borrowing). In Writing the class learned what an acrostic is (think Shabbos Zemiros, lehavdil) and we wrote an acrostic using the letters A-U-T-U-M-N. In Reading we are continuing to read stories about different animal life. This week we learned about earwigs and bees. We learned about fish and sea life in Science and the boys have begun bringing in and presenting their Animal Science Reports. They are doing a magnificent job! Reminder that the reports are due by Tuesday Nov. 15. Speaking of Science, on Thursday the class was "wowed" by Dr. Shnitzel's part II presentation on dry ice and carbon dioxide (see pictures). A great learning experience as well as a fun time was had by all. We can't wait to see what's in store for next week, iy"H! NOTE: Please ensure that your son has enough pencil, tissues, snacks and other necessary school supplies. Thank you! Have a guten Shabbos. Mrs. Eckstein - Grade 3 The fifth grade is hard at work and our math skills are growing daily. We know how to read and write decimals; we can rewrite fractions and mixed numerals to decimals; we can compare and order decimals; and we will soon be learning how to round decimals. At the same time we are practicing our multiplication tables as this is a skill that will be used all year. in reading we read the story "Gramp" and our sensitivity to people as their age increased. It was very exciting to plant our fall bulbs, and we look forward to them blossoming in the spring. We actually saw a bean plant grow hydroponically and we observed the development of the pod that contained the bean. In science we saw the experiment where the bottle ate the egg. This experiment illustrates that when we heat air and then there is a cooling down, the air pressure decreases in the bottle. This is why the air pressure outside the bottle was greater and was able to push the egg into the bottle. looking forward to seeing you all at PTC. Mrs. Trieger - Grade 5

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