

# Our Cheder's VOICE



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## FROM *the* MENAHEL

Dear Parents,

This Shabbos we read shiras hayam, the spontaneous expression of gratitude and joy that the Yidden felt after the nes at Yam Suf. The Rebbe teaches us to take a lesson from every part of Torah, what lesson can we apply to ourselves, who are living in golus from the moment of glory at Yam Suf.

There is an emphasis today on pleasantness, gratitude, and gentle communication. There is an expectation that we constantly provide our children with a daily experience of hugs, gentleness, glee and celebration.

The Torah teaches us that there are occasional moments in which we experience jubilation and spontaneously raise our voice to Hashem in celebration. These moments have the power to carry us forward for many years and inspire us to serve Hashem with joy that is appropriate for everyday living.

Setting an expectation for our children that everyday be as stimulating and entertaining as the day the Yidden sang az yashir reduces their capacity to apply themselves with tenacity to learning. Learning requires toil. Torah should necessarily be a yolk. This is the primary area of lack that our Rebbies and educators are confronted with. This is what stands in the way of our children's success in learning.

The gift of grit is that modern-day rare commodity which you can gift your children as they prepare to receive the Torah in next week's parshah. Wishing you a good Shabbos,

Rabbi Kaplan

## SCHEDULE UPDATES



**Monday 15 Shevat, Feb 6:  
Kol Hatorah Kula test #4**

**Sunday - Tuesday,  
February 12-15:  
Mid-winter break**

**REMEMBER TO EAT  
BUCKWHEAT**

*Happy Birthday!*

Sholom Zaltzman, Menachem Mendel Lipitz, Yisroel Sirota, Shlomo Ptalis, and Levi Konikov

**May you have a Shenos Hatzlochah!**

Mazal Tov Yossi Goldsmith on his Siyum on Maseches Ta'anis  
Mazal tov Rabbi Weiss on his daughter's wedding this week  
Mazal tov Effie Weiss on the occasion of his Bar Mitzvah

**TIP**  
OF  
THE  
WEEK

**Tuesdays  
lunches are  
fleishig**

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



# a PEEK at OUR WEEK

It's easy to learn with so much fun and I am proud to be in grade 1! As we are moving ahead in language arts the first graders are spelling and reading so fluently. We learnt that when two of the same consonants appear together, we say the sound once, as in hill, bell etc. In math we had a hands-on activity using an assortment of beans to count out groups of ten. Then we made a beautiful craft with it. Mastering another chapter in math, we started a new unit with the 'hundred chart' to count by ones and tens. Using a big 100 chart bulletin and small charts to follow along, the boys solved riddles of "guess the number".

Mrs. Mandel - Grade 1A

This week has been very busy in First Grade. We are continuing to learn new concepts to further our reading skills. This week we learned that if you have ll or ff at the end of a word you only sound the letter once. BH we are becoming great readers! In math we used ten frames to learn how to subtract under 20. We finished this chapter of subtraction strategies in math and next week will IYH move on to the next one. We were privileged to have art this week where the boys made beautiful scenes of krias yam suf using tempera paints. The boys learned how to draw birds and the water using the concepts of shapes. Looking forward to another wonderful week in First Grade!

Mrs. Volfman - Grade 1B

B"H for an accomplished week! Wishing a Mazal Tov on the class siyum! Gifted each boy a candy box of Zillions, noting "Tov li Toras picha malfei zahav vachesev". At the end of our unit in math, we practiced using the "CUBES" method for problem solving. CIRCLE the info you know, UNDERLINE the info you need to find out, BOX the clues, EXPLORE ways to solve and SOLVE. Our unit test is on Tuesday IY"H. We read about Milo's hardship. He was forced to give up having a pet snake for no one in his family approved of it, especially his sister, Blake. Our class survey showed that most boys felt bad for Milo. Maybe he can get a goldfish or a turtle. Gut shabbos!

Mrs. Levin - Grade 2B

The boys in third grade are working hard on their multiplication skills. We have completed through the 7x table. Please review this necessary skill with your son. On Thursday, Mrs. Eckstein brought in mini chocolate lentils to practice multiplication and to help better understand the concept of division. We even did "remainders!" This week was Yud Shevat and it was such a nachas to watch the boys get into the Tzivos Hashem Rally, singing along and cheering with all the Chayolim. In Reading we began a story called "Thin Ice" and we discussed safety on frozen surfaces. In Writing we are continuing with Paragraph writing. Many boys have become proficient at writing paragraphs. This week we began learning script! And finally, see the pictures of class 3B as they work on their Five Senses projects! Have a good Shabbos!

Mrs. Eckstein - Grade 3

This week the students got back their midterms and most of them did exceptionally well. Everyone is trying their best and growing on their own level. We put down a foundation to understand what a fraction is and learned new terms like numerator, denominator, etc. In reading, we took a test on the story, "The Silent Lobby." We are in the middle of unit 9 in our vocabulary books. We are learning about the Declaration of Independence, why it was written, and what it contains. This is before the constitution was drawn up. First the Americans had to fight to maintain that independence. Although the British were mightier than the colonists, the colonists were fighting for their freedom and they were fighting close to home. The week concluded with a science show from Dr. Schnitzel and an informative nutritional lesson from Mrs. Sobel, the nutritionist. have a good Shabbos. Mrs. Trieger - Grade 5

[Link for Pics](#)

