# Our Cheders CHEDER CHABAD OF MONSEY חדר חב"ד - בואבסיר

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יב' חשון **October 27** פרשת לך לך הדלקת נרות: 5:40

# **FROM the MENAHEL**

## Dear Parents,

"BH we are living with Avrohom Ovinu, we are besimcha from the lessons and teachings that the Torah imparts from the first Yid. In shmoneh esre refer to Hashem as Magein Avrohom, the shield of Avrohom. What does this mean?

Chassidus explains that the kindness of Avrohom requires limits. In applying this to ourselves, being kind is what we strive for, we think and rethink the situations in life that challenge us and we find ways to treat everyone with ultimate and unconditional kindness. Kindness is our default and preferred space.

However, sometimes we may choose kindness over accountability, gentleness over healthy firmness. Many workshops, memes, and inspirational 'shorts' reinforce the importance of communicating with care and avoiding pressuring, demands, or anything that may be perceived as accusatory. While all these lessons have a place and are true in many instances, they also require perspective and thoughtfulness so that we don't misapply the principle in seeking comfort. We may hurt the person we are trying to help.

Kindness without limits leads to narcissism, living without boundaries or rules, and an inability to meet even basic expectations. As parents and educators, we are here to teach. The lessons we should drive home for our students include academic lessons as well as middos tovos. We should not accept or allow students to remain in their default birthplace. We should teach every child to be like Avrohom, to leave their habits and their natural responses and embrace a new path, the Torah's instructions for life.

Wishing you a good Shabbos,

# Rabbi Kaplan



# Reminder:

Thursday, 25 Cheshvan, no school

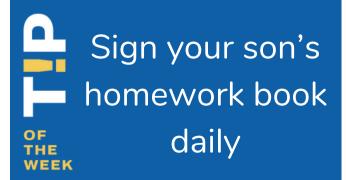
Sunday, 28 Cheshvan, 12:00 dismissal

# Happy Birthday!

Dovi Setton, Avraham Rubin, Shlomo Lakein

May you have a Shnas Hatzlochah

Mazal tov Saadia Liberow on the occasion of his Bar Mltzvah





# aPEEKat OUR WEEK

What a learning filled week it was! Phonics: b&d chart, each student received their own b and d chart helping us remember when reading and writing with these letters. News on the run was enjoyed by all as we read about news around the world, displayed on the classroom smartboard was a map showing where on the map the stories were about. In our literacy program we are skywriting the letters with review cards using big muscle memory which enhances our memory with sounds.

### Mrs. Mandel - Grade 1A

In the next chapter of our reader, the Smith family realized they left the cupcakes for grandma's party at home. Of course, they turned back. Then the kids were hungry and stopped at a lake for a picnic lunch. There Milo finds a garter snake and names his pet snake fang. He puts it in his knapsack without letting anyone know. Oh my!! We discussed the reactions of his family to his pet snake and the responsibility of having a pet. We learned about the five question words starting with WH. In Math we are learning to add ten 10 and 100 to any number using mental math. Often, we write sentences in our journal practicing to begin with a capital letter and ending with proper punctuation. Lots of new words are introduced in spelling and vocabulary. All this good work reaps rewards. Every Thursday, the boys are choosing prizes for completing homework and good class work. Good Shabbos!

### Mrs. Levin- Grade 2A

Class 3A enjoyed the summer-like weather this past week. After a packed schedule each day, which included Math, Spelling, Vocabulary, Grammar, Writing, Social Studies and Current Events, the boys were treated to extra outdoor recess! Everyone took advantage of the warmth and sunshine, as we are anticipating a sharp drop in temperature over next week. We have completed our unit in Science, on Animals, and the boys are busily preparing their Animal Projects. In Reading we learned an (animal) passage about Emperor Penguins. In Social Studies we learned about the seven Continents and five Oceans. In Writing, we are continuing to advance in our lessons on paragraph writing. In Math we are still working on our money and "time" skills, and there will be a test iy"H next Thursday. A review sheet will be sent home. Many thanks to the parents who came to school last Sunday. It was a pleasure meeting with you to discuss your sons' progress. May you continue having much Nachas from them! Have a wonderful Shabbos.

### Mrs. Eckstein- Grade 3B

We made every moment count in 3B. We focused on managing and counting money during math. The boys enjoyed their vocabulary lesson as we read a passage about a hot air balloon fiesta. Our boys were very excited to learn how to write our first letter in script. In grammar, we learned how to differentiate between common and proper nouns. I am proud of the boy's excitement and participation in our studies. keep it up. We are looking forward to a fabulous upcoming week.

### Mrs. Feldman - Grade 3B

This week we reviewed aligning decimals and adding or subtracting them. We then began our big review of multiplication facts. We reviewed numbers three, four, and five. PARENTS- PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR SON KNOWS THESE FACTS. THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR IS BASED ON THESE SKILLS. THANK YOU. We completed unit three in Wordly Wise, played a review game, and had a test. We are holding our breath as we continue to read the true first person account of Peg Kehert and her diagnosis of polio. Our writing assignment continues as we edit our papers and we will start the rewriting process soon. Thank you all for taking the time and showing up for PTC. Have a great Shabbos.

Mrs. Trieger - Grade 5