

Our Cheder's VOICE



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FROM *the* MENAHEL

Dear Parents,

Chazak Chazak venischazeik! This shabbos we complete chumash Bereishis with the final parsah, Vayechi, which means and Yakov lived vibrantly. Yakov was a lebedige Yid in Mitzraim. Yakov had two names, the greater one being Yisroel. Why does the Torah call him Yakov in this posuk rather than Yisroel?

Answer: Yakov represents kabolos oil, doing what's right even when you don't understand or enjoy it. The Torah teaches us that in order to lead a vibrant life in Mitzraim; our foundation must be kabolos oil, committing to Hashem like an ox to a yolk, a commitment in which we there are no options or choices other than doing what is right. Taking this approach to Torah and Yiddishkeit is the only way we can be vibrantly alive even in the darkness of Golus.

Many sources support the merits of this idea; one that especially comes to mind is the Rebbe's depiction of the Jewish Children's Club as an army, Tzivos Hashem. The significance of this source is that it applies directly to our children in our times.

With all the emphasis nowadays on educating rather than telling, children aren't happier. As Yidden, our neshomos shine most when we are in the zone of kabolos oil, because the neshomo is pure and seeks no personal gain.

It isn't easy to go against the established norms that continue to influence every home in our community. We must work to uphold the value of kabolos oil for the sake of our children's joy and success. When we use kabolos oil to get what we want from our kids, it defeats the true role of kabolos oil in our lives. We need to teach kabolos oil for its sake.

Wishing you all an easy fast and a good Shabbos,

Rabbi Kaplan

SCHEDULE UPDATES



Transportation:

Monday January 1 – No transportation all districts
Dismissal at 4:10 for all grades

Library will be on **Monday** this coming week

Mazal Tov!

Noach Litzman, Aryeh Litvack,
Shneur Zalman Blotner, Meir Zajac,
Gabi Gould, Yaakov Ogince,
Yosef Moshe Litzman

May you have a Shnas Hatzlochah!

TIP
OF
THE
WEEK

Let the school
know when you
plan to be out of
town

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



a PEEK at OUR WEEK

As we continue in our "fun in the sun" reader our first graders are reading with accuracy and fluency! We are so proud of them! An exciting bingo game with sight words had us practicing many new sight words! In math, we used the strategy of "think addition to subtract" to solve math problems. We also got to work in groups on a math game board and competing to see who finishes their boards first. We also practiced many math skills we already learned.

Mrs. Mandel- Grade 1A

This week, the boys of second grade, completed our unit on Community Helpers. We learned that they are very important; they keep the community safe and healthy, make life better for the people in the community, and help the community function more efficiently. In math, we are learning to add 2 digit numbers with regrouping. When the sum of the ones column is above nine, it gets carried over to the tens column. The boys made "sticks of ten" by putting 10 fruit loops on each pipe cleaner to visualize their math questions. We introduced transition words, (linking words) first, next, then, etc. and how they are the glue of our text. Each boy wrote down how to make his favorite sandwich. Most popular was a chocolate spread sandwich, which we sampled. YUMMY!! DELICIOUS!! As our unit on Winter continues, we discussed the benefits of hibernation. It ends once Spring arrives, for the day is longer, temperatures change and more food sources are available. I am so proud of the boys who wrote beautiful poems about Winter! Stay tuned... In 2A you don't want to miss a day at Cheder!! Gut Shabbos!!

Mrs. Levin - Grade 2A

This week the boys were so excited to have Art and Dr. Schnitzel! In Art, Mrs. Jacobs taught the class how to draw tall skyscraper buildings easily...with funny faces! Dr. Schnitzel taught the boys the science behind Slime . . . and then made slime with the assistance of some helpers (see pictures). In Math, we began having 3 minute quizzes on Multiplication. The boys are getting quite proficient at doing their Multiplication forwards and backwards! There is a test on Tuesday iy"H. The boys were also given their book-report template on a biography. Most boys have already chosen their boys, as the reports are due be"H on Monday January 15th. Yossie Altein already completed his report! In Science, we learned about the net of the Five Senses; the sense of Taste. We learned a new word...UMAMI, which describes more savory foods such as meat and mushrooms. In Reading we learned a biography . . . about Lucky Lindy aka Charles Lindberg. And in Writing, we learned about more about paragraph writing and sentence structure. We learned how to tell/write a story that has more than one paragraph. The final class of the week...Current Events (News on the Run). We can't wait to see what's in store for next week! Have a guten Shabbos!

Mrs. Eckstein- Grade 3A

Wow what an exciting week this was. We are getting to know the famous people who inspired by their great accomplishments. We read about Amelia Earhart, she was the first female aviator to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean. We were also introduced to an incredible person who was blind and deaf, Hellen Keller. We are looking forward to hearing more about her accomplishments. In approximately three weeks, the boys will have a chance to present their own book report and tell us about some other famous people or leaders that have impacted the world. We loved exploring the five senses. We were fascinated by how our ears process sound waves which we then hear. We had double treats this week!!!! Art class with Mrs. Jacob was a lot of fun, and a science lesson that came to life with Dr. Schnitzel's exciting show. Looking forward for another great week in 3rd grade. Gut Shabbos!!!

Mrs. Feldman - Grade 3B

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