Our Cheders VOICE CHEDER CHABAD OF MONSEY חדר חב"ד - בואבטיר

י' טבת **December 22** פרשת ויגש הדלקת נרות: 4:13

CHEDER CHABAD BOY'S DIVISION · PARENT EDITION

FROM the MENAHEL

Dear Parents.

Over the years, the significance of Hey Teves to the Rebbe, Chabad in general, and to each chosid have grown. What started as a seemingly small act of theft, taking a few seforim from a massive collection from the Frierdiker Rebbe's library, led to court proceedings that examined the core of our relationship with the Rebbe.

In connecting this special day with education, I would like to share a lesson that applies to us as parents and the significance of small actions that are tied to big ideas. We want the best for our children, and occasionally, we allow them to bring something into their lives that seems negligible but has a tremendous impact on them in challenging their relationship with Yiddishkeit and Chassidus. When our children encounter parts of the secular world that seem trivial, we may be introducing them to a powerful force that draws their attention away from Yiddishkeit. Giving children access to YouTube videos that seem innocuous, exposing them to secular children's movies and action figures places a fork in the road of their lives at a tender young age.

Meruba mida tova midas puroniyus, the power of small acts of connection with our children can have lasting positive impressions that guide the lives of our children (This isn't meant as an antidote to negativity, but rather as a standalone point). A few precious minutes spent with a child telling them a chassidishe story, helping them with their homework, listening to them sing a niggun they learned at cheder, tucking them in while saying shema, encouraging them to watch a two-minute video of the Rebbe daily, brings about positive transformational change.

Can we measure the immense impact we have on the lives on our children when we listen to them chant a few pesukim chumash? Can you imagine hearing your child tell their child in the future, how you used to learn with him? Yes, it happens quickly.

A big thank you to Mrs. Lakein for the, planning, hard work and coordination in putting together the Hey Teves bookfair. It was a smashing success BH. Thank you as well to Rabbi Mendel Vogel for working with the cheder in providing all the seforim to the talmidim.

Wishing you all an easy fast and a good Shabbos,

Rabbi Kaplan

SCHEDULE (UPDATES



Transportation:

Monday Dec. 25 – No

transportation all districts

Tuesday Dec. 26 - Friday Dec. 29:
No transportation
SCSD CCSD NR

Mazal Tov!

Dovid Yedidya Elisha, Nosson Silverman, Yonah Vogel, Dovid Batkin

May you have a Shnas Hatzlochah!

OF THE

WEEK

On non transportation days all grades are dismissed at 4:10



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Second graders spent this week welcoming in Winter. We listened to a story, "Sneezy the Snowman". Little kids wanted to help a snowman warm up by offering their gloves and scarf as well as hot cocoa. He melted away and needed to be rebuilt. When all was good, the snowman complained he was too hot. The kids took him for ice cream and then he was just right. We introduced the vowel team ""EE/EA", as in SnEEzy and hEAt. The first vowel does the talking and the second vowel does the walking (remains silent). Together the boys wrote a poem about winter. Winter begins in December. I love watching the snowflakes fall. Nice hot drinks and soups keep me warm. Tubing and skating are loads of fun. Everyone bundles up Ready for the cold weather. Mrs. Jacobs showed the boys how to sketch a snowman, which they painted beautifully. We are looking forward to our first snowfall! Gut Shabbos!

Mrs. Levin - Grade 2A

This week it may have been cold and rainy outside, but inside the Talmidim of class 3A were burning with tremendous enthusiasm to learn! We learned the three and four times tables in Math. We are about halfway through the multiplication tables, and beginning Monday, there will be daily Math Minute guizzes. In Reading we began learning a unit of biographies. We learned about Amelia Earhart, the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean. In Social Studies we learned what the word economy means, and we learned about the economy of the state of New York. In Science we learned about the Sense of Sight, and in Writing, the boys wrote paragraphs about how to paint a picture (they were disappointed there was no Art this week), and about finding a spider on the ceiling of the bedroom. The boys, once again, enjoyed standing before the class in the front of the room, as they read their short stories. B"H we are really making lots of progress! Please take note of the following two items: 1. Thank you very much to all parents for your generous Chanukah gift. I, too, walk out of class with a smile on my face, and I wish you continued nachas from your sons. 2. There will be a book report on a biography due before midwinter vacation. The assignment will be sent home next week or the week after. The book must be a chapter book, and MUST be approved by Mrs. Eckstein. It can be about a Gadol or a secular person. More information to come next week, be"H. Have a guten Shabbos!

Mrs. Eckstein - Grade 3A