

TEAM SPIRIT

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From the desk of Rabbi Baumann



PURSUE PEACE

Erev Shabbos Parashas Tazria-Metzora, Rosh Chodesh Iyar 5783

Dear Parents.

The second pasuk of Parashas Metzora tells us that one afflicted with Tzora'as (a form of spiritual leprosy), on the day of purification from his affliction ... והובא אל הכהן-and he is brought to the Kohein. The Kli Yakar points out that the expression "and he is brought" implies it is against the Metzora (the person afflicted)'s will. What does that come to teach us?

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The Kli Yakar goes on to explain that the Metzora is now in need of healing from his affliction and the only one who can provide that relief is the Kohein. Why is the Metzora being forced into this dependency on the Kohein?

To begin with, the Kli Yakar explains that the Metzora is in his present predicament because he is guilty of hurtful behavior towards others in the form of Loshon Hara and other damaging speech. In fact, the term Metzora is tied to Motzi Ra – this person brought forth bad - he revealed his concealed wicked thoughts to the outside, to the community.

Furthermore, the Metzora is afflicted because he needs to learn Mussar in order to improve his ways and perforce it must be from the Kohein. Why the Kohein? The poor behavior and resultant Tzora'as is on account of the person not listening to the words of the Kohein in the first place. He did not voluntarily seek out the teachings of the Kohein when he had the chance. What are those specific teachings? ... שלום ורודף שלום אהרן אוהב של ממלמידיו של אהרן אוהב are those specific teachings? ... שלום ורודף שלום ורודף שלום be among the disciples of Aharon – to love peace and pursue peace. Instead, this Metzora sowed discord among his neighbors and friends, the very antithesis of the teachings of Aharon and all subsequent Kohanim. Since he didn't seek out the Kohein as to how to improve his ways when he was healthy, he is now forced to rely upon the Kohein to teach him how to do Teshuva.

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"He did not voluntarily seek out Aharon's pursuit of peace was an outcome of his love for every Jew. We are told in Pirkei Avos (1:12) Hillel teaches that we are all obligated to be from the disciples of Aharon – to love peace and pursue peace; love people and bring them close to Torah. Rabbeinu Yonah in his commentary on *Pirkei Avos* questions the dual instruction of both loving and pursuing peace. Isn't it enough to love peace? What is added by pursue peace? Rabbeinu Yonah explains that many people love

peace in their heart, but it is only when they take the trouble to actively work on promoting peace among friends to act accordingly by being a loving and peaceful person, can they rightfully claim to be among the students of Aharon.

Many of our children struggle with social issues, which is normal for their age. There is pettiness, nastiness and meanness that all children have to contend with – either as victims, perpetrators or most commonly – as both. How meaningful it would be to impart these lessons of working for peace to our children. A truly upstanding Jew is one who follows in the footsteps of the great Aharon HaKohein whose entire being was focused on promoting peace and friendship.

When children are made to feel needed and important, they inevitably rise to the occasion. They are never too young to be ambassadors of peace among their peers. Creating a peaceful environment and healthy social circle is something that every child can contribute to. They can look out for a classmate who looks down, and they can encourage their close friends ('besties') to include all their friends in a game, conversation or activity. Parents and

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teachers need to stress peace and sensitivity to others' feelings among friends and classmates as a goal that we can all strive for together.

When adults set an example for how to have positive relationships in the family, neighborhood and community, and children hear that creating and maintaining peace and cordiality among all their peers is an important and attainable goal, we will be implanting within them a fundamental and indispensable tool for a happy and successful life.

Best wishes for a wonderful Shabbos and Rosh Chodesh of peace and caring,

Rabbi Kalman Baumann

Principal

מזל טוב

To Rabbi and Mrs. Yaakov Dreyfuss upon the engagement of their daughter, our alumna, (Sara) Miriam to Shmuly Student! Special Mazel Tov to the grandparents, Rabbi and Mrs. Kalman Baumann. Mazel Tov to them as well upon the engagement of another granddaughter, in New York! To Mr. and Mrs. Akiva Garellek and family on the birth of a girl!

To Mr. and Mrs. Chaim Bursztyn and family on the birth of a boy!

To Rabbi and Mrs. Yaakov Fried on the birth of a granddaughter!

To Rabbi and Mrs. Tzvi Rosenbaum on the birth of a great grandson!

רפואה שלימה

Chaim Shmuel Ben Leah Yocheved
Binyomin Simcha ben Adina Minya
Mina Yehudis bas Masuda Marsel
Nuta Moshe ben Sarah
Yitzchok Mordechai ben Malka
HaRav Chesriel Yosef ben Dalish Rivka
Meir Nachum ben Salhah
Refael Avraham Meir ben Zelda Baila
Yisroel Yitzchak ben Chana Gittel
Chaya Adina Malka bas Chana Gittel
Reva Braindel bas Miriam
Chava Devorah bas Chana Malka
Tinok ben Chaya

Calendar Reminders

Wednesday, April 26
Special Activity Official Uniforms Required

Morning for Mothers

This Tuesday! See flyer attached

After School Sports - Boys

Final Session began on April 18!

Grades 1-2:Thursdays from 4-5 PM

Grades 3-5:Tuesdays from 4-5 PM

Register at ytcte.org/kessports

Please contact Mrs. Sara Tamir with any questions. stamir@ytcte.org

or 305-947-6000 ext 100.

Register For Transportation!

Bus registration for the 2023-2024 school year is now open!

After Monday, May 1st, those who register will be put on a waitlist and spots will not be guaranteed. Visit ytcte.org/bus to register.

For questions, email transportation@ytcte.org or call 305-947-6000 ext. 237

2G City Hall Trip

All of the second grade girls were invited by Commissioner Fortuna Smukler to take a special trip to City Hall. The girls were greeted by Commissioner Smukler, Mr. Greg Williams (Public Affairs Manager, NMB Water), several Captains, Sergeants and Police Officers as well as Blue, the NMB Water Mascot. The girls each got a chance to say their name and make a request for our school to the Commissioner. Lots of requests for swings and a swimming pool were made! The girls visited the NMB command truck, the NMB Water Vac Truck and were introduced to the K-9 unit. After a complete tour and explanations from all the members there, the girls received certificates and swag bags. The girls and staff had a great time!



1G Sefiras HaOmer Charts













4G Yedios Hatorah Studying







4G Painting Siyum

4G-3: Mrs. Kahn's class celebrated a siyum on Parshas Miketz with a painting project. Mrs. Liba Nussbaum guided the girls to help

them each create their own masterpiece.

















Impressive Impressions

Ahuva Wulwick from 1st grade always helps to collect the sports equipment after recess. A real Chessed girl!



A few girls from 2G earned a special trip to Bubby's for ice cream!



Siyum Mishnayos Sukkah Countdown!

4B-2: Rabbi Amster's students started their class countdown to their upcoming *Siyum* on the entire *Mishnayos Sukkah*, *B'ezras Hashem*! They made 1 card for each of the remaining 29 *mishnayos* and hung them on the wall.













Impressive Impressions

The boys in 3B-1 earned 300 class points and celebrated with snow cones!



The Leaning
Tower of Pizza:
The 5th grade
boys have been
an amazing and
responsible
canteen and pizza
crew! Pictured
here are some
boys after their
weekly job
completion. Thank
you!



5B Old School House Trip



American Revolutionary War



After finishing their unit on the American Revolutionary War, Mrs. Gil's 3rd grade class celebrated by making cakes and decorating them to look like the American flag.



4B Lion Country Safari Trip

The fourth grade boys went to the Lion Country Safari right before Pesach break in honor of Makkas Arov and Parshas Shmini!









Kol hakavod to all of our girls who participated in the incredible "Chessed Begins At Home" program over Pesach vacation. We have heard from so many parents about how helpful girls were and how excitedly they filled up their charts! Let's keep on creating a world of kindness! Ask your daughter about our Sefiras Haomer Chessed Challenge that we are working on!



Michal Lundner Baila Klugman Tali Zimmerman Faige Porter Nechama Silverstein Eve Avery Shaylee Barda Ashley Landesman Aliyah Weiss Talia Clyman Yaffa Serle Esther Katz Ahuva Bernstein Elisheva Soskin Michal Drebin **Emme Ciment** Leah Rose Heller Tehila Kahn Ahuva Wulwick Rebecca Rosenbaum **Barbara Ciment** Aviva Laredo Chavi Soskin Yaelle Avissar Rivka Becker Chana Platt Shaina Heisler Eva Newman Zahava Bensoussan Ayala Mandel Avigail Diamond Rivka Wyszkowski Batsheva Kirzner Ora Nusbaum Esty Mermelstein Bracha Friedman



Estee Leizerson Naomi Ferster Mindy Aszknazy Sarah Bengio Tova Peled Yocheved Kolodny Rikki Mann Tzofia Suissa Heaven Gabsi Hannah Seroya Esther Wahnon **Avital Umlas** Adina Slepoy Yakira Marmor Yehudis LaBrie Sarelle Samet Miryam Berdugo Leeba Yudkowitz Ruth Bucay Ayala Schwartz Aviya Umlas Ahuva Zaidenberg Yahli Ben-Harush Mia Chames Tehila Kirzner Meira Mazurek Lili Cohen **Avital White** Becca Taub Nova Azoelos Tova Hardy Leah Greeenberg Yael Zaig Orr loffe Talia Barouk Aliza Goldenberg Zahava Khabinsky Talia Rabovsky Chana Bracha Wieder Ariela Brick-Turin Esther Zacks

Racheli Silverstein



Tehila Rubin Bracha Alpert Devorah Brodman Avelet Friedman Yael Romero Meira Kolodny Dena Brown Batsheva Slepov Tova Alcabes Naomi Senderovitz Sara Baila Tuchinsky Rivka Meirov Shoshana Schwartz Ella Rabovsky Michali Gordon Tehila Weingot Esti Stilerman Shira Itshakov Esther Silverman Ettie Bergida Eden Alishayev Ahuva Rubin Michali Weiss Ellie Schwartz Tova Rubin Rachel Greenbaum Gabby Schick Maya Gordon Tamara Goldsmith Aliza Citron Yojebed Lancry Abigail Silverman Batsheva Benguigui Gaya Langford Eliana Netkin

Rivka Benguigui Leah Slepoy Aliza Feld Mia Beck Ella Naierman Malky May Sara Brodman



Aliza Gordon Shifra Kier Aleeza Berger Aliza Ginsbury Aliza Diamond Adina Leah Ben-Hanan Aliya Mayerson Sarah Miriam Ben-Hur Noa Ohana Yael Langford Batsheva Falber Michal Meiner Zahava Hoffman Chana Zaklilkowski Naomie Cohen Avigayil Ben-Hanan Ayalla Gabay Shayna Culbreth Chana Levy Rena Dreyfuss Leora Lobell Tamara Feinstein Hadassah Mann Avital Friedman Shlyee Baruch-El Temima Lasrv Hadassah Merel Carol Mann

Lea Yfraimov
Ora Ouaknin
Molly Einhorn
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Chedva Goldenberg
Tzippy Summer
Sarah Lahav
Esti Goldenberg
Nechama Fridmann
Abby Berkson
Talya Nissel



Judy Elbaz Maayan Zohar Chayala Eisemann Shaindy Leizerson Sarah Zvida Leah Pomper Tehila Joseph Navah Zvida Elky Jungreis Atara Rabhan Hadassa Drebin Eliana Jaroslawicz Adina Sokol **Shevy Sommer** Naomi Pinhasov Evelyn Saka Sarah Dimal Ilana Levy Bracha Zvida Mimi Schwartz Batsheva Sokol Emunah Garellek Ilana Maman Yael Ohana Abby Jungreis Mazal Benlolo Pnina Doniarov



Camp Dates: June 19th - August 10th

Session 1: June 19th - July 14th Session 2: July 17th - August 10th

- ✓ One carpool for all your children!
- ✓ Busing from Miami Beach, Surfside, and Hollywood!
- ✓ Hot Lunch program available!
- ✓ Amazing trips and exciting programming!

- √ 3 Camp Divisions: Preschool Division, Girls Division, **Boys Division!**
- ✓ Machane Miami Extreme for campers entering 5th, 6th and 7th grade! Two trips per week and one major trip per session!



Rabbi Noach and Reena Rabovsky, 59 Camp Directors



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For more information call Machane Miami at 786-506-9071 or email info@machanemiami.org



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Start Your Day Off Right with Two Inspiring Classes
Right After Dropoff

Tuesday, April 25

8:45-9:15AM Honest Personal Growth: An Expert's Guide

Mrs. Ruchie Berkman KES 5th Grade Kodesh Teacher Incoming Menaheles, YTCTE Girls Middle School

9:15-9:45AM
The Believing Parent

Rabbi Kalman Baumann Klurman Elementary School Principal

South Campus

1051 N Miami Beach Blvd North Miami Beach, FL 33162 (Large Tent on the corner of 11th Ave. and 165 St.)

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS
WILL BE SERVED

