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A MESSAGE FROM THE ROSHEI HAYESHIVA



Enthusiasm and Free Will

שליט"א, RABBI YISROEL Y. NIMAN

We celebrated Rosh Chodesh this week, and the Shulchan Aruch explains that there is a minhag that women do not do certain types of work on Rosh Chodesh of every month because it is their special holiday. Chazal explain that this is due to the fact that when the women were approached to give their jewelry to the building of the mishkan, they did so completely willingly without any reluctance. The question arises that as the Pesukim tell us the men also gave with the same enthusiasm- in fact, there was too much given and Moshe had to tell them to stop. What was unique about the generosity of the women over the men to be given such a reward?

It seems that the men gave on their own initiative, but the women did not give until they were first approached by the men to do so and then responded positively. Normally, people respond negatively to pressure and are sometimes reluctant to do what is being asked of them. Despite that, these women went against what would be a natural response and gave with the same simcha and zerizus as those who were giving on their own. This deserved special recognition. When these women responded positively even in such a scenario, they received tremendous s'char and a Yom Tov was given to them exclusively.

It behooves us to keep this in mind and endeavor to inspire someone to do something right due to their own choice and decision without force, whether it be our children or students. This avoids strong negative reactions, and will bring about the desired results more successfully.



HALACHA CORNER



מתנות לאביונים

SHUIE MARKOWITZ

BMZE, 2nd Year Talmid
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There is a מצוה on Purim to give one מתנה to two poor people. The exact amount that needs to be given to each עני is unclear in the Halacha ספרים. The Mishna Berura rules that the minimum that a person needs to give to each עני is one פרוטה which is about 5 cents. R' Shmuel Kaminetzky rules that a person should give a נתינה חשובה which is the amount of a dollar. Other Poskim rule that the חיוב is to give a meal's worth of money.

No matter what a person rules in regards to the amount of מתנות לאביונים, the Mishna Berura says that a person should spend more money on the מתנות לאביונים than he does on either the סעודת פורים or משלוח מנות. The Mishna Berura also says that a person will only have real שמחה on Purim if he makes עניים happy as well.

A MUSSAR MOMENT



The Mussar Megilla

RABBI YAAKOV KIER

Rosh Kollel, Kollel Mechanchim Zichron Yitzchok Isaac,
12th Grade Rebbe

Megillas Esther is a focal point of the holiday of Purim. In this Sefer we find an amazing tapestry of events that turns the tables against the enemies of the Jewish people. Thus, through reading this Megillah, we fulfill Persumei Nisa, publicizing the neis of Purim, similar to our lighting of the menorah on Chanukah. However, the Vilna Gaon says that there's another element to Megillas Esther. The Megillah is called "Divrei Shalom," words of peace. How do we understand this description? What about the Purim story is peaceful?

Rav Yeruchem Olshin (Yerach Limoadim) explains the GR"A based on an idea from Rav Yeruchem Levovitz. He writes that the Megillah spends much time speaking about evil characters like

Haman and Achashveirosh, as well as the heroes Mordechai and Esther, because this Megillah is one big Mussar sefer. The depictions of the negative traits of the characters shows us the vanity of gayvah, the trouble with tayvah and the fallout from anger. In contrast, the tznius of Esther and the anavah of Mordechai show us how positive traits can propel a person to greater levels of piety. The path to Shalom both in the world, as well as within a person's self is through perfecting one's middos. That's why the Megillah is perfectly described as "Divrei Shalom".

This idea of the Vilna Gaon lends a new perspective to Purim. It's not just a day of celebration and merriment. It's a time to recognize the importance of tikkun hamiddos. Bad Middos can lead you down a path of destruction. You don't need to see the caricatures of the Bad Middos Pirates to appreciate this. You can find them in living color in the mussar sefer called Megillas Esther.



I Can!

Dear Parents,

One of the saddest comments to come out of a child's mouth, is "I can't", when asked to answer a question or solve a problem that we know they are really capable of being successful at. An attitude of helplessness is far too pervasive among children, but it exists among all people, to one extent or another. Recognizing and understanding it, are the first steps in enabling a person to overcome it.

This week's *Parsha* tells us that when all the parts of the *Mishkan* were complete, the people brought the *Mishkan* to *Moshe Rabbeinu* (*Shemos* 39:33) to erect it. *Rashi* explains that the people were unable to erect the beams, so they turned to *Moshe*. *Moshe* realized that erecting these extremely large and heavy beams was beyond the capacity of a human, and he questioned *Hashem* as to how he should proceed.

Quoting the *Medrash Tanchuma*, *Rashi* tells us *Hashem's* stirring words to *Moshe*: *Involve yourself with your hand. You start putting up the Kerashim (beams) and it will appear as if you are doing it. In reality it will rise upright and miraculously stand by itself!* ***Moshe merely needed to take the first step. Once he did that, Hashem took over and miraculously completed the task.***

Looking around our community and the Jewish world today, we see many incredibly successful *Yeshivas*, *Shuls*, *Chesed* organizations, *Kiruv* organizations, *Tzedaka* funds, *Gemachs* etc. They are almost all the brainchild of one individual who took the first step to accomplish a seemingly impossible mission. They strengthened themselves and said "I can!" and merited *Hashem's* miracles along the way. Many people have good ideas and good intentions – it is the rare person who has the courage and faith to attempt the 'impossible'.

A shining example in our recent past of someone who said "I can" to the seemingly impossible task, was *Rav Yosef Shlomo Kahaneman*, the *Ponovezher Rav*. In 1942, with the war raging in Europe and German forces seemingly about to overrun *Eretz Yisrael*, *R'L*, and everyone fearing for their very lives, *Rav Kahaneman* announced that he would begin building a *Yeshiva* in *Bnei Brak*. When confronted by others who told him he must be

dreaming, he responded "I may be dreaming, but I am not asleep." In fact, the entire enterprise of rebuilding the *Torah World* from the ashes of Europe was a seemingly impossible task. We are fortunate to bear witness today how those long-shot efforts succeeded beyond anyone's wildest dreams.

Another way to view the need for an "I can" attitude comes from, of all places, one of the greatest hockey players ever: **"You miss 100% of the shots you don't take."** So many people go through life and because of a defeatist attitude of "I can't" they never even attempt to try their hand at something that they really would like to accomplish. In truth, that describes almost all of us. We don't see a way to be successful in a natural way, so we don't try. What *Hashem* taught us through *Moshe's* erecting the *Mishkan* is – you take the first step, make the effort and you may merit tremendous *Siyata D'Shmaya* (Heavenly help) that will enable you to succeed.

Returning to our young child who feels unable to succeed and therefore does not try, we must take note of and address such an attitude. If left unchecked, it threatens to greatly minimize what a child can succeed at in life, and more importantly, how capable or incapable they view themselves. Gently correct your child's "I can't" and help them reframe to say "this is hard for me, but I will try," or "I can't do this myself, but I can if you help me" or "I can do this part, but I don't understand how to do that part."

Share stories of how you or other family members or friends were able to succeed at something that you never thought you would. Show your child how many things that seem to be beyond them are made up of small steps and tiny parts that can easily be achieved, one at a time. Part of the bedrock of our *Emuna* in *Hashem* is that if we "lift our hand" and take the first step, we will hopefully, merit the *Siyata D'Shmaya* to succeed.

Have a wonderful *Shabbos*,



Rabbi Kalman Baumann
Principal, EECC/KES/BTE



Calendar Reminders

March 17

Hachnosas Sefer Torah

March 19

BTE: Production

March 21: Taanis Esther

EECC: JPK-PK Dismissal 1:30 PM, K Dismissal 2:00 PM

KES: Dismissal 2:00 PM

BTE: Dismissal 12:00 PM

RMS: Dismissal 12:15 PM

Mesivta Avraham Zev: Shacharis 8:00 AM, Dismissal
12:45 PM, Optional Mincha 1:58 PM

March 22

EECC/KES: Purim Carnival, Regular Friday Hours

Mesivta Avraham Zev: Dismissal 12:00 PM

March 24-25: Purim & Shushan Purim

All Divisions: No Classes

Mazel Tov!



To Mr. and Mrs. Binyomin Wulwick and family
on the engagement of their daughter, Nechama,
to Mordy Weinberger from Toronto!

To Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Heller and family on the
bar mitzvah of their son, our talmid, Gabi!

Parnes HaYom

חודש אדר ב'

All Divisions

לרפואה שלמה והצלחה רבה

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JPK
children
had fun
making
crowns
and masks
as they
continued
to discuss
Purim.



The pre-k
classes
made Purim
puppets to
practice
telling over
the story in
Megillas
Esther.

The
kindergarten
scholars
learned to
read words
with digraphs
and
continued to
practice
reading and
writing their
sight words.





KLURMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - GIRLS



In honor of
**Rosh
Chodesh
Adar II**, all
classes
enjoyed a
hamantash
bake.



Students in
4G-4 practiced
**public
speaking** and
respectful
listening during
their show-and-
tell activity.



Mrs. Jeiger's
2G-1 class
enjoyed a trip
to The Museum
of Discovery
and Science.





Thank you to this month's **STAR heads** for planning such a fun bowling trip to Sparez for Rosh Chodesh Adar II.



The girls made cute Purim masks in art class.

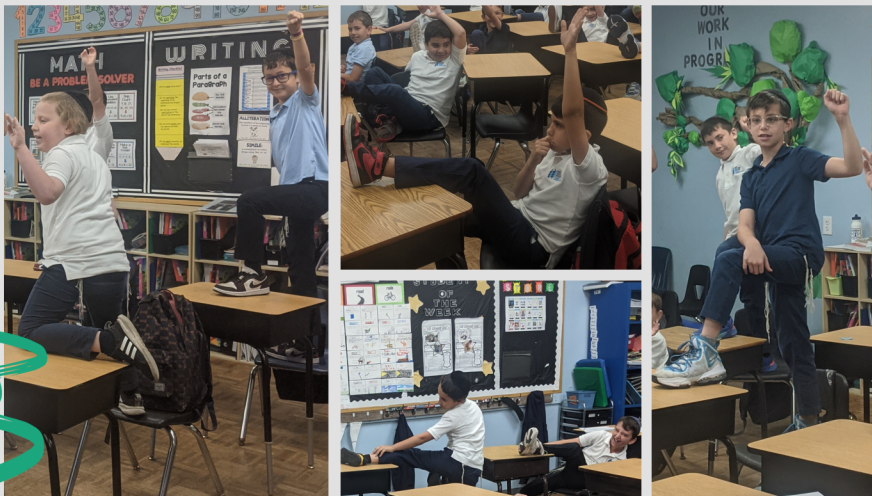


Adar excitement included crazy hair day.





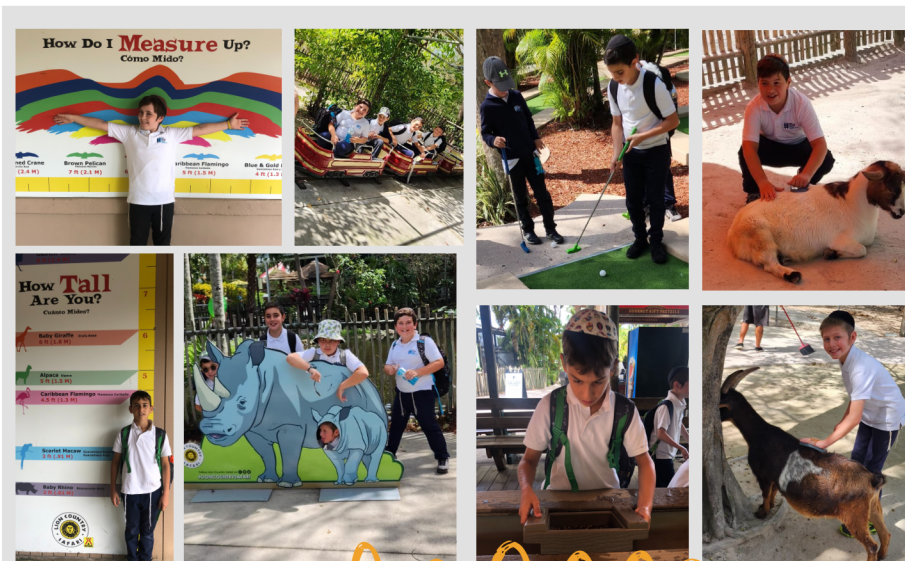
KLURMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - BOYS



3B-3 enjoyed a game of kria twister.



Mazel tov to our 1B talmidim on their Chumash mesiba.

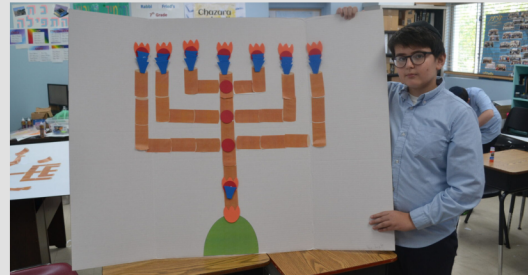
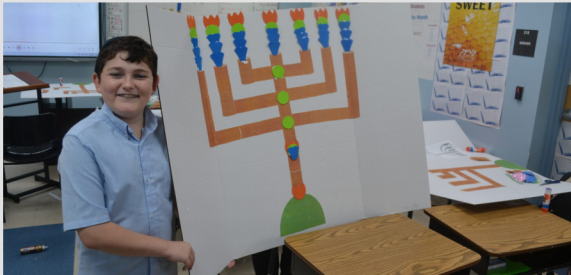


4B enjoyed a trip to Lion Country Safari.





Rabbi Fried's 7th graders made beautiful replicas of the menorah.



Rabbi Jablon's 8th graders had the opportunity to watch a commercial kitchen being kashered.



מתיבתא אברהם זאב - THE DR. ABE CHAMES HIGH SCHOOL & BAIS MEDRASH ZICHRON EZRA

Along with various other kabbalos in the area of protecting themselves from the challenges of technology, over 100 Mesivta talmidim have committed to be smartphone free for the last year. To celebrate this tremendous accomplishment, they went on a Ma'alim B'Kodesh trip to Tennessee with their Rebbeim where the boys enjoyed fun-filled days and a beautiful Shabbos of achdus and chizuk. It's been a truly inspiring experience!





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