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A MESSAGE FROM THE ROSHEI HAYESHIVA



A Paragon of Derech Eretz

RABBI MORDECHAI PALGON, שליט"א

The Pasuk says ויקרא אל משה...מאהל מועד לאמר. The Medresh Raba comments that from here we see נבלה טובה ממנו כל תלמיד חכם שאין בו דעת ובלה טובה ממנו, a dead carcass is better than a Talmid Chochom without derech eretz. Moshe Rabeinu displayed clear derech eretz when he did not go into the Ohel Moed until Hashem called him. It seems clear that Moshe Rabeinu had the right to go in when it was completed; he was the premier of Nevi'im, involved in all of the miracles in Mitzrayim and the Yam Suf, and who went up to shamayim to get the Torah. He clearly had the credentials to make the decision of going into the Ohel Moed when it was ready.

Yet, even with all of his involvement in the collection of materials, the construction of the Mishkan, and all of the preparation of the Kohanim, he did not feel any presumption of further involvement to go in until he was called. His dedication to derech eretz and heeding Hashem negated every other qualification. Had he gone in one second too early, before Hashem called him to come in, even such an august person as Moshe would be reduced to less than a putrid and repugnant carcass. One second differentiated the greatness of Moshe Rabeinu from the lowest and most disgusting of remains.

The Sefer Torah that was just dedicated and celebrated in Yeshiva is in honor of the life of my father, whose Rebbe was R' Moshe Feinstein zt'l, a paragon of middos tovos and derech eretz. As great as R' Moshe was as a the posek of the generation and in his genius, nothing paralleled his middos and how he treated everyone around him with the greatest respect. His influence is still keenly felt within my family, and the importance of such behavior is clearly illustrated in this week's Parsha.



HALACHA CORNER



Mishloach Manos

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There is a mitzvah on Purim to give משלח מנות. This means that every person needs to give two food items to another person. A common misconception about משלח מנות is that the two food items need to be different brachos. When the שלחן ערוך says the halacha of משלח מנות, the example of two food items that the שלחן ערוך gives is two portions of meat. Two portions of meat are the same bracha, so we clearly see that they can be the same bracha.

The משנה ברורה has a doubt as to whether a person needs to fulfill the mitzvah of משלח מנות through a שליח (messenger). Therefore, it is preferable to fulfill the mitzvah by sending the food to another using a middleman. The משנה ברורה also has a doubt if you need to give a חשוב portion of food. This would mean that a person may not be able to give a small piece of candy as משלח מנות. The משנה ברורה says that since there is a doubt, at least one of the משלח מנות that you give should be a חשוב portion of food.

A MUSSAR MOMENT



The Gadlus Of Chessed

RABBI YAAKOV KIER

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12th Grade Rebbe

Mordechai did not miss a day. For several years, day in and day out, he would visit and check up on Esther who was trapped in the deceiving grandeur of a jail called "the King's Palace." The Medrash (Esther Rabba 6:8) credits these actions of Mordechai as the defining factors which led to him being Divinely appointed as the leader of the Jewish people. But one might ask what was so unique about Mordechai's actions that our Chazal highlight? Wouldn't anyone reach out to help a damsel in distress? How can you not assist Esther, especially if she is a yesoma and a member of your family. So what's the big deal about Mordechai's actions?

In the Slabodka Yeshiva they revolutionized the definition of chessed. The Alter of Slabodka (Ohr Hatzafon) taught that chessed isn't merely fulfilling the needs of the underprivileged. Chessed goes way beyond that. It is emulating the middah of Hashem. Olam

chessed yibone, Hashem created a world full of chessed. He did so, not because there was any need, as nothing yet existed to require it. Rather, He created it because of His desire to do good. This comes from an infinite trait of chessed. So too, we have to give to others, not just because they are needy, but rather because we want to do good. This chessed of Slabodka exemplifies itself not just in the extent of the chessed, which goes beyond the boundaries of the needs of the recipient, but also in the flavor and focus of the giving. It is an infinite desire to do good.

Perhaps this can also explain Mordechai's rise to gadlus as the leader of the Jewish people. His daily chessed of caring for Esther wasn't just about fulfilling her physical and emotional needs. It was an infinite middah of chessed, to just do good for another person. This middah knows no boundaries. Such a person can care for others, not just the one person in their circle. Their chessed knows no boundaries.

This Purim we can send Slabodka Mishloach Manos. It doesn't need to be delivered across the globe. As long as it contains chessed without boundaries.



Shhh - It's A Secret!

Dear Parents,

Much of life and *Yiddishkeit* consists of balancing conflicting values and attempting to come out on the right side of what *Hashem* wants us to do in any situation. Sharing private information and revealing secrets is an area that presents one of the most challenging scenarios for adults and children. **The imperative of confidentiality frequently collides with the need for information to help someone.** Which way to go is indeed a thorny question.

At the very beginning of this week's *Parsha* and of the entire *Sefer Vayikra*, the *pasuk* (*Vayikra* 1:1) says: *And Hashem called to Moshe, and He spoke to him from the Ohel Moed, saying.* The next *Pasuk* then continues to *Hashem's* words and begins: *Speak to the Bnei Yisroel...* The *Gemora* in *Yoma* (4B) is troubled by the inclusion of the word *לאמר* saying at the end of the first *Pasuk*. The Torah seemingly should only have said: *And Hashem called to Moshe from the Ohel Moed.* Next *Pasuk* then states - *Speak to the Bnei Yisroel.* What does "saying" add to the point of the *Pasuk*, if immediately afterwards *Hashem* openly tells *Moshe* to speak?

The *Gemora*, as explained by *Rashi*, says to read the word *לאמר*, saying, as *לא אמור* making the word in fact a contraction "do not say." *Rashi's* explanation is that the word *לאמר* really is not needed in the *Pasuk* for its simple meaning, it is in fact coming to teach something else. That is - *Derech Eretz*, proper behavior. In this case it is "Don't Say." *Moshe Rabbeinu* was being told not to reveal the words of *Hashem* - "don't say" until he received permission to "Speak to the Bnei Yisroel."

When it comes to private information, it is not proper to share it with others. If the person sharing with you tells you directly that it is a secret, not to reveal it, then we are commanded to not reveal it. **A basic truism in human relations is that people are drawn to each other when there is a feeling of trust between them.** If one feels the other is possibly or likely to share a private conversation, that relationship will never develop into anything deep or meaningful. Even information that is not potentially harmful or painful and would not qualify as *Lashon Hara*, should nevertheless not be shared without permission.

When it comes to the parent-child relationship, as it relates to information that is private or secret, the guidelines become extremely complex. Many things take place in the confines of one's home that should not be shared outside of the family. Many things take place outside of the home, that family members feel comfortable sharing with each other, perhaps inappropriately. Young children don't yet know how to keep a secret and they need to be taught that by their parents through words and role modeling. On the flip side, parents need to know what is going on in their child's life to keep him or her safe - physically, spiritually and emotionally.

To properly navigate this balancing act, parents need to understand the parameters of Toeles - which means "a positive purpose or benefit." There are circumstances when secrets need to be revealed and *Lashon Hara* must be said, in order to protect someone from harm. When it comes to sharing information about children, many of us adults are not sufficiently careful to speak only in cases of *Toeles*. On the other hand, many parents and teachers have been almost too effective in teaching their children and students about *Lashon Hara*, and children then don't share vital information with a trusted adult, that is needed to prevent harm from coming to them or someone else.

There are no shortcuts in navigating this vitally important area of *Halacha* and interpersonal relations. Knowledge of *Hilchos Loshon Hara*, adopting an overall approach to not sharing confidential information with others, and gently, carefully and consistently explaining to one's children what information should and should not be shared and with whom, are keys to properly train our children. Helping them habituate behavior in accordance with *Halacha* will not only build their *Avodas Hashem*, it will enable them to build and maintain trusting, deep and meaningful, long-lasting relationships in their lives.

Have a wonderful *Shabbos* and a *Freilichen Purim*,



Rabbi Kalman Baumann
Principal, EECC/KES/BTE

NEWS AND UPDATES @YTCTE



Calendar Reminders

March 24-25: Purim & Shushan Purim

All Divisions: No Classes



PTA Spotlight

Thank you to our PTA, parent volunteers, and all who contributed to our successful Mishloach Manos Campaign for Purim 5784. Special thank you to the talmidim from Doresh Yeshiva- Yehuda Perlstein, Shmuli Lamm, Nechemia Salel and Raphael Friedman. Thank you to our parent volunteers for all your help packaging our Mishloach Manos- Mrs. Sarah Gabriel, Mrs. Rachel Saka, Mrs. Yael Rosenberg, Mrs. Dahlia Miller, Mrs. Deborah Levy, Mrs. Shaindy Goldner, Mrs. Tzippy Romero, and Mrs. Erica Newman.

Mazel Tov!



To Mr. and Mrs. Shlomo Nigri and family
on the birth of a baby boy!

To Mr. and Mrs. Dovid Kesserman and family
on the birth of a baby boy!

To Rabbi and Mrs. Moshe Dovid Price and family
on the birth of a baby girl!

To Rabbi and Mrs. Tzvi Fladen and family
on the birth of a baby boy!

Parnes HaYom

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Rochel bat Geulah

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All Divisions

לרפואה שלמה

יהודה צבי בן מאטל

Great uncle of Avi, Ahuva, Yona,

Meir, Abie, and Benjy Bernstein

by Drs. Stuart & Marcy Bernstein

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Grandmother of David Frydman

by the Frydman Family

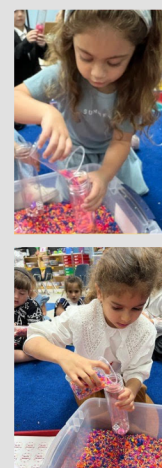
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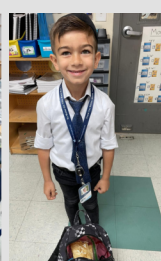


In preparation for Purim, JPK children baked delicious hamantashen and had the opportunity to hear the Megilla being read by Rabbi Rubin.



The pre-k classes made graggers for Purim.

Our kindergarten boys and girls had a jam packed, fun-filled week getting ready for Purim, including dress-up days, megillah/gragger making, Purim character cookies and more!





KLURMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - GIRLS

The Adar spirit was felt throughout the week with fun days, including bandana day, crazy hair day, hat day, and tie day.



Mazel tov to the 2nd grade classes for completing Parshas Lech Lecha! They davened together, sang acheinu, heard a dvar Torah from Rabbi Dreyfuss and enjoyed a delicious breakfast together.



BNOS TORAS EMES



Bnos Toras Emes put on an outstanding production, A Change of Tune. The girls acted, sang, and danced their way across the stage with confidence, poise, and grace. The 4th and 5th graders helped out with their talents as well. We are so proud of them!





KLURMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - BOYS



KES boys
classes
enjoyed a
hamantash
bake.



Mrs. Shilo's
5B-2 and
5B-3
celebrated
Pi Day with
a variety of
activities.



Mrs. Gil's 3B
class
learned
about
adjectives,
and what
better way to
practice
coming up
with
adjectives
then creating
monsters?!



ROHR MIDDLE SCHOOL



A few classes earned a trip to Fun Spot in Orlando.



In honor of Chodesh Adar, RMS is enjoying color war! There are 4 teams corresponding to the 4 mitzvos of Purim. The ruach, positive middos and sportsmanship being displayed during the activities and competitions are great to witness.





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TORAT HAYIM
TORAT EMET

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URGENT NOTICE

Editor's Note: Apology and Corrective Actions from the Communications Desk

Dear YTCTE Family,

We've realized that many parents have not been aware of some important school information. We clearly haven't been sending enough messages or you just don't get it. We apologize for that. In our constant effort to improve, we will be drastically increasing the volume of emails, texts, and Whatsapp messages we send daily.

We're also excited to announce our latest innovation, which is sure to solve our communication crisis: the Yeshiva Yodel Service™. (We are actively seeking yodelers in every South Florida community. If you'd like to apply to be a yodeler, please click [here](#). 1 hour of yodeling will fulfill \$100 of your tuition.)

Best,

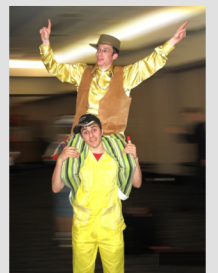
The (clearly not so good at) Communications Team



Calendar reminder:

April 1, 2024: BTE's K. Lehrman Building dedication will be taking place on the Klurman high school Campus. All Klurman Elementary students are invited to join the celebration. Signed, Rabbi Klarman Baumann and the rest of the administration.

When asked what he thinks of the new KES Boys Assistant principal, Rabbi Amster replied, "I've been a supporter of Rabbi Alcabes for many years".



You'll still get cake!

As a courtesy, the Yeshiva will be setting up a dessert buffet in the parking lot of the South Campus for all the unfortunate parents who accidentally go to the wrong campus for their child's Chumash plays, hascholas gemorah events, etc. (Side shout out to Mr. Moshe Abitbol, previously our Klurman Campus plant manager, who has now become a full time party planner for all the South Campus events taking place there.)



After this picture went viral, YTCTE is unfortunately now under FBI investigation for violating child labor laws. On a positive note, the ground has finally been broken somewhere on our campuses.



purim edition



Space Cadets

The Royal Commission for Creating Space out of Thin Air, known as the YTCTEKESRCCSTA, announces the opening of an RFP (Request for Proposals) for the expansion of classroom and school wide space. A number of proposals have already reached the Royal Commission. They are listed below. The final decisions of the Commission will be announced at a formal ceremony to coincide with the Yeshiva's 2nd Annual Groundbreaking Event.

- Accept an equal number of right-handed and left-handed students, so there will only need to be one desk for every two students.
- Assign two students to one chair.
- Hang additional chairs and desks from the ceiling of overcrowded rooms
- Eliminate teachers – 3 student desks can fit into the space of one teacher's desk
- Utilize the school buses as additional classrooms
- Furnish each child with an umbrella and set up outdoor classrooms in the, uhh... uhh... , on the, uhh... uhh...(incomplete proposal)
- Draft some students into the army and use space in the Army/Navy Recruitment Center
- Send the NMB Building Inspectors on a long vacation
- BUILD A NEW BUILDING!

Mr. Rabbi Magyar Receives Smicha

After many years of hard work, the man who used to be known as Mr. Magyar has received his smicha certification from Yeshiva Chofetz Chaim. "They originally told me it would take b'erach 14 years, but apparently there is a shortage of manpower these days." When asked if he would now try to start a branch, Rabbi Magyar responded, "Pashtus, not. I just did it so I can get on Chasdei Lev, Boruch Hashem."



Student Lunch Gemach

As a new initiative, all uneaten lunches brought to school by students will be put into a Lunch Gemach. This will allow all students who do not want to eat their own lunch, a choice of somebody else's uneaten food. One parent exclaimed: "What a brilliant idea! For 10 years I have been preparing and sending my children gourmet lunches just for them to throw it away by lunch time. Now I know that a different hungry child will enjoy my food!"

The Yeshiva's rabbinical advisory board confirmed that due to the fact that prepared lunches will most likely be eaten by a non-dependant hungry child, parents may use maaser money to buy lunch ingredients.



Amazon-to-Lost-and-Found Program

Attention all YTCTE parents: Skip the hassle! You can now order your child's sweatshirts, water bottles, yarmulkas etc...

directly to the Lost and Found. No need to have to stuff it into your kids backpacks to wonder where it will end up. We will guarantee your brand new unlabeled item will enjoy a brief yet fulfilling stay before it's thrown out at the end of the year.

Thank you for these submissions:

Rabbi Mann, Friedman, Rabbi Rosenberg, Mrs. RL Hauser, Mrs. S. Stern, and Anonymous.





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