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Dear Girls and Parents,

We look forward to the girls' continued growth in their role as a *Bas Yisroel* over school vacation, especially a Yom Tov, whose main purpose is to strengthen us spiritually.

To help our families celebrate *Yom Tov* in a most appropriate manner, we are continuing the **CHEMDAH** Program for the elementary school girls.

CHE-M-DA-H stands for **C**Hesed, **M**idos, **D**Avening, **H**asmoda. The program is named in memory of our beloved 1st Grade Rebbi, Rabbi Elchonon Goldenberg zt"l.

Initial each day's box when your daughter has performed some meaningful act of *chesed*, when she has (for the most part) demonstrated good *midos*, her *davening* is grade appropriate and she has learned (*Hasmoda*) for 10 minutes (or more). The teachers likely have added additional areas of focus on a separate list.

Acceptable material for the *Hasmoda* component remains as in the past. The approved/suggested list of books/seforim is included.

May we all be privileged to a wonderfully meaningful and enjoyable Pesach, surrounded by children growing in their love and devotion to Hashem, His Torah and His people.

Best wishes for a meaningful, healthy, and enjoyable Chag Kosher V'Sameach,

Rabbi Kalman Baumann

Mrs. Miriam Deitsch



HASMODA LIST

Below is a partial list of appropriate learning material that qualifies as 'learning' for the Hasmoda Project. Purchasing one or more of these books is a worthwhile investment for the whole family.

Always appropriate to learn:

School workbooks & review sheets - *Divrei Torah* at the table - *Chumash, Navi, Tehillim*

For independent learning — under supervision:

Artscroll:

A Torah Treasury
Arba Minim
Brachos
Childrens Book of Yonah
Childrens Book of Ruth
Going Global by Yitzchok Kornblau
Manners Matter: by Racheli David
Sand and Stars - Jewish History for Children: by Yaffa Ganz
Shemoneh Esrei – Artscroll
Take Me to the Holyland: by Tsivia Yanofsky
The Other Side of the Story: by Yehudis Samet
Tales From the *Gemara*
Let My Nation...series: by Rabbi Y. Deutsch
My Last Year in Mitzrayim: by Chaim Greenbaum

Feldheim:

Achas Sh'alti—(Rav Zilberstein)
Book of our Heritage
Birkas Hachaim
Challos In The Aron Hakodesh— Gadi Pollock
Let's Go to Shul: by Yitzchak Kornblau
Trekking Through Time by Yitzchak Kornblau
My Friends the Aleph Beis: by Rabbi B. Chait
Navi Illustrated
Noach and the Flood by M. Chalamish
One Special Prayer—Y.M. Strauss
Seven Special Weeks by Yaakov Meir Strauss
Three Special Days by Yaakov Meir Strauss
The King's Special Loaves by Y.M. Strauss
The 39 Avoth Melacha of Shabbath: by Rabbi B. Chait
The Incredible Voyage to *Midos Tovos*: by Rabbi B. Chait
The Lost Treasure of *Tikkun HaMiddos* Island: by Rabbi B. Chait
The Terrifying Trap of the Bad Midos Pirates: by Rabbi B. Chait
Zecher L'Yetzias Mitzrayim—A. Ochayon
Torah Town: by Rabbi B. Chait

Other:

A Medrash and a Maaseh: by Rabbi Chanoch Teller
A Twist of the Tongue
Apples of Gold
Can't Wait 'til Shabbos by Rabbi Yehuda Winzelberg
Gateway to Happiness: by Rabbi Pliskin
Grade Level Hebrew Language Book
Growth Through Torah: by Rabbi Pliskin
Guard Your Tongue
Guide to Blessings: by Rabbi Wenger
In the Footsteps of the Prophets
Keeping Kosher: by Rabbi Eliezer Wolf
Love Your Neighbor: by Rabbi Pliskin
Nach Treasury
Pirkei Avos - many commentaries available in English
Sefer HaMitzvos
Special Delivery
The Feeling Series: by Shmil Wilder
The *Mitzvot*: by Abraham Chill
The Power of Words: by Rabbi Pliskin
The Ten Plagues of Egypt: by Shoshana Lepon
The Ten Tests of Avraham: by Shoshana Lepon
Torah Rhymes and Riddles
The Little Midrash Says
The Little Midrash Says Treasure Chest
The Midrash Says
Just Imagine! Series: by M. Safra, Tfutza Publications

*Please note: "Tales of Tzadikim" does not qualify for Hasmoda credit.

Since the Hasmoda contest is a learning program and not a reading program, much of the English language Judaica, like biographies, or Torah stories, while highly recommended, do not qualify as 'learning' material. Similarly davening, doing *mitzvos* and *chasodim* (kindnesses) are an integral part of our day and are to be rewarded, but do not qualify as 'learning' material for our learning program. Saying Tehilim can count for up to 5 minutes a day. (In addition to the adult supervised reading.) This list is intended as a little guide in directing your children to make the most of their *Yom Tov* time, learning time, family time, mitzvah time... Have a wonderful Yom Tov!

פסח תשפ"א

שם: _____

	CHEssed	MIDOS	DAvening	Hasmada	OTHER
Wednesday, March 24 - י"א ניסן					
Thursday, March 25 - י"ב ניסן					
Friday, March 26 - י"ג ניסן					
Shabbos, March 27 - י"ד ניסן					
Sunday, March 28 - ט"ו ניסן					
Monday, March 29 - ט"ז ניסן					
Tuesday, March 30 - י"ז ניסן					
Wednesday, March 31 - י"ח ניסן					
Thursday, April 1 - י"ט ניסן					
Friday, April 2 - כ' ניסן					
Shabbos, April 3 - כ"א ניסן					
Sunday, April 4 - כ"ב ניסן					
Monday, April 5 - כ"ג ניסן					

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