

Toras Emes E.C.E.

Parashas Vayishlach

December 4, 2009

5:12 P.M.

MAZEL TOV:

Rabbi Naftali and Naomi Lefkowitz on the birth of a daughter.

PROJECT CHAVERIM:

This week, the children focused on accepting circumstances as they are and not complaining.

*Yeshiva Toras Chaim
Toras Emes Academy of Miami
Annual Dinner*

Sunday, January 10, 2010
Jungle Island

Guests of Honor
Dr. & Mrs. Norman Bloom

Kesser Shem Tov Award
Mr. & Mrs. David Goldis

Rabbinic Leadership Award
Rabbi & Mrs. Neal Turk

READY, SET.....SMILE!

Individual and class pictures are scheduled for Monday, December 7. Please send your child to school well groomed and in colorful clothing. Boys should wear kipot and not baseball caps. Please be sure to send in the order form no later than Monday.

CHANUKAH PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Nursery I-
Thursday, December 10 - 9:45 a.m.

Nursery II-
Wednesday, December 9- 9:45 a.m.

Pre-KI-
Tuesday, December 8- 1:30 p.m. (Dismissal after program)

Pre-KII-
Tuesday, December 8- 9:45 a.m.

Kindergarten I-
Wednesday, December 9- 11:00 a.m.

Kindergarten II-
Thursday, December 10- 11:00 a.m.

BOOK FAIR

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7-
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10
9:00 AM- 4:00 PM
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11
9:00 AM-12:30 PM

IN THE TORAS EMES TRAILER

TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CALL
MRS. RACHELI GROSSMAN
305-651-6541

NURSERY I & II- MOROT ETTIE & TAMI

Just walk into the Nursery class and you will feel a special Chanukah spirit. Our classroom is decorated with beautiful arts and crafts projects for Chanukah. We have been busy practicing our songs for the Chanukah play, making individual chanukiot out of wood and learning the brachos al haneros. We even know how to light the candles from left to right. We cannot wait to perform this great mitzvah. Several Chanukah stories have been read to the children. Our favorites were Arielle And The Chanukah Surprise by Devra Speregen, Grandma's Latkes by Eli Chwast and Malke's Secret Recipe by David Adler.

We learned many new Hebrew words this week such as chanukiah, sevivon, shamash, Beis Hamikdash, levivot, pach shemen and Maccabim.

For Parashas Vayishlach, we talked about the three ways Yaakov prepared himself to meet his brother Esav and learned about the significance of Kever Rachel.

NURSERY I & II- MOROT NECHAMA & SUSAN

Our unit on Community Helpers was so much fun. The children really enjoyed learning about policemen, firefighters, mail carriers, doctors, dentists and teachers.

At the art center, the children created a fire hat, a fire station and a fire truck.

We listened to several stories about community helpers such as Curious George Visits The Fire House, Curious George Visits The Police Station both by Margaret and H.A. Rey, My Friend The Teacher and My Friend The Firefighter by Leslie Eckard, A Day In The Life Of A Firefighter by Linda Hayward and The Berenstain Bears Visit The Dentist by Stan and Jan Berenstain.

All the fire safety rules that we had learned previously were reviewed this week. The children were taught not to play with matches, and not to go near a stove or an oven. We also practiced how to "Stop, Drop and Roll."

PRE-KI & II- MOROT ETTIE & HEIDI

In Parashas Vayishlach, we learned why Yaakov's name was changed to Yisroel. We reviewed all the names of Yaakov's sons, including Binyamin whose birth was mentioned in this week's Parsha. We learned how Yaakov was reunited with his brother Esav and the preparations he made for this special event. We also talked about Rochel Imenu's special burial place- Kever Rochel in Eretz Yisroel.

Our Hebrew letter this week is Ches. Some of the Hebrew vocabulary words that we learned are: חלון, חברה, חבר, חלה, חלב, התול, חשך and חנוכה.

The children are very excited about their upcoming Chanukah play! They are busy making beautiful Chanukiot and decorations for the classroom. Some of the Chanukah stories we listened to this week were Hanukah! By Roni Schotter, Potato Pancakes All Around by Marilyn Hirsch and A Chanukah Story by Linda Davis.

Have a wonderful Shabbos!

PRE-KI & II- MOROT BERNEY & JUDY

The Pre-K children continued their unit on "Colonial Times." They were excited to create many projects reflecting the interactions of the Pilgrims and the Indians. They were fascinated to learn that the Pilgrims lived in log cabins and tents, while living off the land. It was a wonderful lesson in American History.

The letter of the week was "Gg". Some words that the children sounded out were green, gorilla, grapes, goat, great and goop. The children even got to make their own green goop (similar to silly putty). Gavi was our "Gg" friend this week.

The Pre-K children listened to the story of the "Three Billy Goats Gruff" and then acted it out.

In Science, the children experimented with glue. They observed how glue dries and hardens and then becomes clear.

The children played games to help reinforce the letters taught so far.

KINDERGARTEN I & II-MOROT BAYLA & RENA

Preparing for Chanukah has kept the yeladim in Kindergarten busy all week long. We have been busy practicing our parts and songs for the Chanukah play. Please review your child's part with him/her every day.

The yeladim are fascinated with the story of Chanukah. We learned about the victory of the Maccabim over the Yevanim, how the Beis Hamikdash was cleaned up and the nes that occurred when the shemen zayis lasted for eight days instead of one. We enjoyed listening to some Chanukah stories. Our favorites were A Chanukiah For Dina by Floreva Cohen, Chanukah With Bina, Benny And Chagai Hayonah by Yaffa Ganz, The Dangerous Dreidle Ride by Chaiky Halperin and Pini The Pitcher by Batya Kirshenbaum. Our Chanukah display table is full of the many different and beautiful articles that the yeladim continue to bring in related to the chag. Various types of chanukiot, books, tapes, candles and dreidles were some of the interesting items that the children were able to see and touch.

For Parashas Vayishlach, we heard how Yaakov prepared to meet Esav with tefillah, matanah and milchama. We always beseech Hashem for help in everything we do. We also learned about the twelve shevatim and how Rochel Imeinu was buried in Kever Rochel on the way to Beis Lechem.

In our reading program, we are reviewing all the letters and nekudos that we have learned so far. The letters alef through hay were taught as well and the kamatz and patach.

In Project Derech, we learned that it is wrong to shame any person, especially a teacher or elder. (However, if it is important to correct a mistake, you may ask a question so that the elder will not be embarrassed.)

In Project Chaverim, we talked about accepting things as they are and not complaining.

KINDERGARTEN I & II-MOROT BERNEY & MIRIAM

Our kindergartners had a lovely week filled with many learning experiences. "L" was our letter of the week. We can't even begin to tell you how excited we all were to read our first word family. We started with "as" and then proceeded to lad, sad, bad, dad and glad.

In honor of the letter "L", we made lions, brainstormed "L" words and played "London Bridge". We also worked with "Lincoln Logs" and "Legos". Some of the stories we enjoyed were Love You Forever by Robert Munsch, Leo The Late Bloomer by Robert Krauss and The Little Engine That Could by Watty Piper.

We talked about the library and how you can get your own card if you can write your name. Naturally, we made our own library cards and visited the school library. Please remember to return the library books on the due date.

We completed our unit on the Pilgrims and Native Americans. The highlight of our week was our "Pow Wow" where we had a real feast eating the food that we prepared in class.

Have a lovely Shabbos!

Chanukah Programs

Pre-KII.....Morah Heidi
Tuesday, December 8.... 9:45 a.m.

Pre-KI.....Morah Ettie
Tuesday, December 8.... 1:30 p.m.

Nursery II.....Morah Ettie
Wednesday, December 9.... 9:45 a.m.

Kindergarten I.....Morah Bayla
Wednesday, December 9.... 11:00 a.m.

Nursery I.....Morah Tami
Thursday, December 10.... 9:45 a.m.

Kindergarten II.....Morah Rena
Thursday, December 10.... 11:00 a.m.



25th Annual Dinner & Journal Campaign Update

*Rabbinic Leadership Award
Rabbi & Mrs. Neal Turk*

*Kesser Shem Tov Award
David & Chanu Goldis*

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We encourage all parents to participate in this campaign by placing their personal ad and by soliciting friends, family and business acquaintances. Personal or solicited ads will be applied towards your give/get obligation.

Anyone who raises their \$1,000 give or get will receive two complimentary tickets to the Dinner.

We look forward to having all our parents attend the Dinner Sunday, January 10th at the Treetop Ballroom at Jungle Island. Invitations will follow in the mail.

Have a great Shabbos!