

TEAM Spirit

TORAS EMES
ACADEMY OF MIAMI
Samuel Aba & Sisel Klurman
Elementary School

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Friday, April 29, 2011
Candle Lighting 7:33 PM

פרשת קדושים
שבת מברכים

WELCOME BACK!

We hope that everyone enjoyed a restful, uplifting and inspiring Pesach vacation. It is a pleasure to see the students back at school refreshed from their time away and with renewed enthusiasm for learning. May the next seven weeks of school be productive and fruitful for everyone at Toras Emes.

Those students who complete this TV Control Program (participation in previous programs not required) will celebrate at a banquet and show during an upcoming school day.

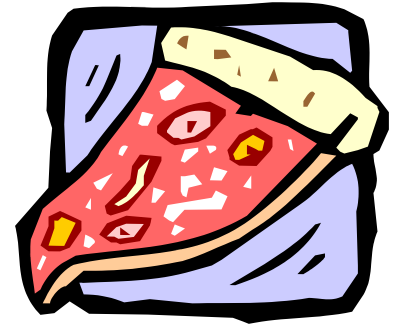
HASMODA PROJECT

We are so proud of the many students who participated in our Pesach Hasmoda Program. If you have not already done so, please send in your completed charts on Monday.



PIZZA

Order forms were sent home today for the new pizza cycle, which begins next Friday, May 6. If you would like your child (ren) to receive pizza, please fill out the order form and send it in with payment on Monday.



Remember: If you would like your child to purchase canteen items with their pizza (chips and seltzer @ .50 each) , please send a dollar with each child on Fridays.

SEFIRA/KABBOLAS HATORAH TV/VIDEO CONTROL

Our third and final TV/Video/DVD Control Program of the year will begin this Thursday, May 5 and will run through Friday, June 3 - during *Sefiras HaOmer*.



CHINESE AUCTION

We are eagerly anticipating the Chinese Auction which will take place, IY"H, on Sunday, May 29. Booklets are available in the office. You can also view the prizes and order at www.ytcteam.org/auction

MAZEL TOV

To Mr. and Mrs. Sholom Zeines and family on the birth of a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Moshe Schwab and family on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, our alumnus, Eli.

To Mr. and Mrs. Salomon Nash and family on the engagement of their daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Nisan Tzur and family on the engagement of their son, our alumnus, Oded to Dina Abramson.



REFUAH SHELAIMA

- ◆ Ruchama Aliza Sara Chana *bas* Esther Leba
- ◆ Tziporah Feiga *bas* Sima Shaindel
- ◆ Aliza Chaya *bas* Sara Freida
- ◆ Tinok *ben* Chaya Sara
- ◆ Yoseph Simcha *ben* Zaka Basya
- ◆ Nina *bas* Victoria

ONGOING PROGRAMS

Weekly Parsha Class

Thursday mornings 9:15-10:00AM

In Rabbi Baumann's Office (Girls' Bldg.)

Class will resume on May 5.

Homework Club

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 4-5PM

Miss Rottman tobirottman@gmail.com

Boys' After School Sports

Monday & Thursday, 4-5PM

Will resume on Monday, May 2.

Coach Melamed 786.356.8063

Mr. Harkavy 631.612.7532

JAG

Tuesday (1G-3G) & Wednesday (4G&5G), 4:05-5:05PM

Note: This cycle of sessions runs through May 18.

Mrs. Selmar 305.479.7269

OOPS!

The following girls' names were inadvertently left off of our list of participants in the Science Fair.

Yasher Koach to:

4G

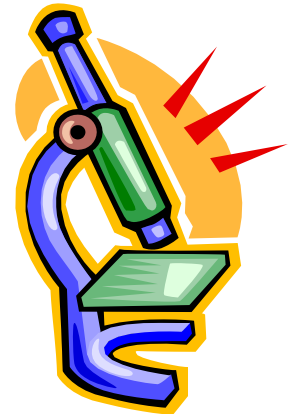
Tamar Mindick

Esther Pam

Rivka Sheinkopf

5G

Yardena Reboh



AVOID ALL APPOINTMENTS



Please note that our standardized testing week will take place, IY"H, on Monday, May 16 through Friday, May 20. Please mark your calendars and make an extra special effort to avoid outside appointments for your children during school hours during those days.

READY, SET.....WALK!

Monday, May 23 is the date for our special Lag B'Omer festivities, including a walkathon and a BBQ. All students are to come to school in a hat of their choice. We can't wait to see the creative creations that will adorn and protect our children from the sun!

As always, parents are invited to participate with us, as well as to help with the walkathon and BBQ in various capacities. Volunteers are needed in the morning. If you would like to help, please call the school office. Further information including sponsor sheets and BBQ order forms will be forthcoming.



THANK YOU FROM YESHIVA TORAS CHAIM/TORAS EMES

We express our heartfelt appreciation to the many (over 100) who attended the City Council meeting on Motzei Pesach. We all know the genuine hardship the timing presented. The petitions for both our proposed buildings received approval. Additionally, we were told by many experienced people at City Hall last night, that having the room crowded with members of our community was of huge benefit to us. It played a significant role in allowing the vote to be passed with minimal preconditions, and without additional costly site work that is often imposed at these meetings. We look forward to reciprocating the friendship and Mesiras Nefesh you displayed by bringing the highest quality chinuch to our community.



May we be zocheh BE"H to see the rebuilding of the Bais HaMikdash speedily in our times.

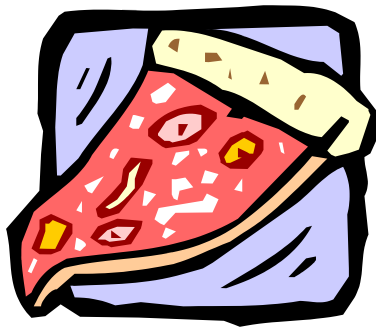
Rabbi Binyomin Luban

Rabbi Yisroel Y. Niman Rabbi Mordechai Palgon

Roshei HaYeshiva

PIZZA FOR COUNCIL MEETING ATTENDEES

In appreciation to all the people who attended the public hearing and signed in, we are offering 2 slices of pizza at Jerusalem as a sign of appreciation for coming out at a very inconvenient time. You can claim your 2 slices at Jerusalem until May 15th.



Please tell them you want to claim your Pizza from the Yeshiva. They have the sign up list behind the counter, please find your name and they will cross it off after you claim your pizza. Thank you for your help!



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Dr. Deborah Lerer
Secular Studies Principal

Rabbi Noam Grossman
Assistant Principal

Mrs. Naomi Bloom
Early Childhood Director

Erev Shabbos Parashas Kedoshim 5771

Dear Parents,

Parenting experts across the board, from our *Gedolim* to psychologists, all emphasize the indispensability of a child's healthy self-esteem for proper development and ultimate success in life. As with any ingredient, however, too much can be as detrimental as too little, and the proper balance is necessary for a wholesome 'product.'

The *Kli Yakar*, has a very enlightening comment on the *Pasuk* in this week's *Parsha*, (*Vayikra* 19:17) *Lo Sisna es Achica BiLevovecha, Hocheach Tocheach es Amisecha V'Lo Sisa Alav Cheit*, "Do not hate your fellow in your heart, you shall surely rebuke him and you shall not bear a sin on account of him." The *Kli Yakar* says that when love prevails among the Jewish people, everyone will, out of concern for his fellow's wellbeing, rebuke his or her friend, to keep them from sinning. However, when hatred and enmity is present among them, he won't offer rebuke, but rather will flatter the person to give the impression he did no wrong. Why? Because he wants to see the person's downfall that will be the inevitable result from his unrestrained wrongdoing.

How counterintuitive! We usually equate rebuke and admonition with harsh feelings and a cold, distant feeling between people. Support and encouragement on the other hand, is the outcome of warmth and closeness. The *Kli Yakar* is telling us the reality can be the polar opposite. True love, is caring about your fellow's eternity, which will be negatively impacted by unrestrained sin. *Ahava*, love, means keeping your eye on your friend's ultimate needs, rather than a good feeling for the moment.

We can all relate to the unfortunate scenario of a child's suspected swallowing of a large amount of pills. When you finally get to the emergency room and the doctor orders your young child's stomach pumped to save his life, you know instinctively that you will not give in to your child's tears and shouts demanding to go home – you will assist the doctor in proceeding with the extremely unpleasant and traumatic procedure that the situation requires. It cannot be clearer that the ends justify the means.

The same is true of spiritual emergencies. We need to know what is best for our children, and then proceed for their long-term benefit, even in the face of short-term upset. We need to put their self-esteem needs in perspective and work towards their ultimate needs. Children can handle repeated admonitions and redirections to their emerging behavior, when they are offered in an atmosphere of love and concern, and tempered by healthy doses of positive feedback when appropriate. Ignoring inappropriate behavior patterns is an equally slippery slope leading to serious problems down the road. A confident parent, who has thought things through before a situation arises will be much better positioned to respond appropriately when rebuke, rather than flattery, is called for

Being an effective parent means being able to strike a balance between building self-confidence and building morals and values. Ultimately, if the child's values and *Hashkofos* are clear and strong, that will be the greatest guarantor of a healthy self-esteem, in the context of a loving parent-child relationship.

Best wishes for a most enjoyable and rejuvenating *Shabbos*,

Rabbi Kalman Baumann

TORAS EMES ACADEMY OF MIAMI

May 2011

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22 י"ח ל"ג בעומר	23 י"ט LAG B'OMER WALKATHON & BBQ Regular Sessions	24 כ'	25 כ"א	26 כ"ב	27 כ"ג Candle lighting 7:47	28 כ"ד במדבר ברכת החדש
29 כ"ה YTC/TEAM CHINESE AUCTION	30 כ"ו MEMORIAL DAY SESSIONS 9:00-12:00 NO LUNCH	31 כ"ז				