

Toras Emes E.C.E.

Parashas Bechukosai

May 20, 2011
7:44 P.M.

GRADUATION REMINDERS:

Graduation DVD'S

If you would like to order a DVD of the graduation please send in a check for \$25, to the school office.

Graduation gown

Please iron your child's graduation gown and send it back on a hanger no later than Tuesday, May 24.

Graduation Invitation

If you would like extra invitations for grandparents or friends please call the school office.



CHINESE AUCTION:

We are eagerly anticipating the Chinese Auction which will **IY"H take place on Sunday, May 29. By now, you should have received your auction books.** You can also view prizes and place your order at www.ytcteam.org/auction

SAVE THE DATE:

Toras Chaim Tea Wednesday, June 1. Please see the attached flyer.

MAZEL TOV:

Rabbi Bentzion and Rachel Chait on the forthcoming marriage of their daughter Mindy to Avi Kramer.

CALENDAR NOTES:

Memorial Day– Monday, May 30. Teacher Workday. NO SCHOOL

Kindergarten Graduation– Monday, June 6. 10:30 a.m.

Shavuot– June 7-9. NO SCHOOL

School Resumes– Friday, June 10. 9:30 a.m.

YERUSHALAYIM PROGRAM

We will be having a special program lichvod Yerushalayim on Wednesday, May 25. The rooms will be converted into five separate centers each one reflecting one aspect of life in Yerushalayim. Please dress your children in their Toras Emes T-shirts. If you would like to be a sponsor of this program, please send in a five dollar donation.

TORAHNASTICS:

The Torahnastics program for Lag Ba'Omer was fantastic. The Pre-K children learned all about the minhagim associated with Lag Ba'Omer and then had a great time engaging in outdoor activities lichvod hachag.



NURSERY I & II MOROT ETTIE & TAMI

The children continued learning about Lag B'Omer and the importance of being kind to one another. Many beautiful midrashim about the lives of Rabbi Akiva and Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai were told to the children. To help them understand the importance of getting along well with their friends, we listened to the stories That's What A Friend Is by P.K. Hallinan and Sharing A Sunshine Umbrella- A Mimmy And Simmy Story by Yaffa Ganz. We also discussed many **minhagim that we observe on Lag Ba'Omer such as going on an outing, lighting bonfires and cutting our hair.** We collected branches, piled them high and sat in a circle as we pretended that we were at a bonfire. We even ate roasted marshmallows.

Parashas Bechukosai teaches us about the brachos that Hashem will shower on us if we keep the Torah. We also learned about some of the klalos that Hashem would bring if we do not keep the Torah. We talked about the fairness and the kindness of Hashem and how he allows us to do teshuva and have a second chance.

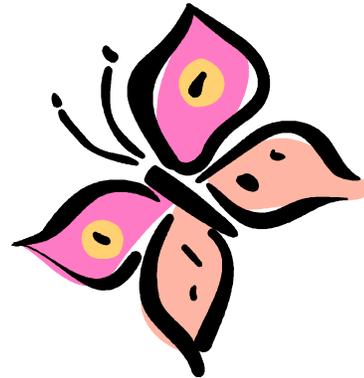
NURSERY I & II- MOROT NECHAMA & SUSAN

This week, we started a unit on Birds, Bees and Butterflies. We used Q-tips and sponges to create butterflies. We also created bees out of yellow and black construction paper and listened to the stories Bees And Butterflies and Caterpillars by Melvin and Gilda Berger, The Happy Bee by Ian Beck, The Crunching, Munching Caterpillar by Sheridan Cain and Jack Tickle and Butterflies by Scholastic.

We learned a new song about beehives:

The Beehive

Here are the beehives
(make two fists)
Where are all the bees?
Here they are
(wiggle fingers)
They are all alive
One, two, three, four, five.



PRE-KI, II & III- MOROT ETTIE & HEIDI

In Parashas Bechukosai, we learned how Hashem wants us to keep the mitzvos and learn a lot of Torah. Hashem promised Bnei Yisroel that if they learn a lot of Torah and keep the mitzvos, He will bring wonderful brachos to them. Some of the brachos that we focused on were enough rain at the right time in Eretz Yisroel and that the fruits and grains in Eretz Yisroel will ripen at the right time.

We have many new Hebrew vocabulary words that we learned for the letters shin and sin such as:

שתיים, שלש, שש, שבע, שמונה
שלחן
שעון
שלג
שמש
שופר
שבת
שדה
שמלה
שה
שמה
שערות

We discussed the minhagim associated with Lag Ba'Omer and continued listening to stories about the lives of Rabbi Akiva and Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai. The children were fascinated by the story of Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai. We discussed why he had to hide from the Romans and how he learned Torah for many years. We heard about the carob tree that provided the food for him and his son Elazar as they learned Torah for thirteen years in a cave.

In anticipation of Lag Ba'Omer, the children enjoyed fun movement activities with Torahnastics.

PRE-KI, II & III- MOROT BERNEY & JUDY

Welcome to the wonderful world of Pre-K. We **welcomed the letter "Ww" this week.** We listened to the story Where The Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak, and **talked about our wishes.** We added a "Ww" page to our alphabet book and made it look like a slice of watermelon. We also introduced a water table to our activities and had a wonderful, wet time.

Now that we are nearing the end of the alphabet, we spent a lot of time playing review games. Our goal is to identify the letter, and hear its beginning sound. We are getting better and better.

Among the other activities we were involved in this week were weaving, weighing objects and walking across the balance beam. We reviewed the days of the week and tried putting the words (with the names of the days) in order on the calendar.

KINDERGARTEN I & II- MOROT BAYLA & RENA

The kindergarten children learned about the story of Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai. We discussed why he had to hide from the Romans and how he learned Torah for many years. We heard about the miraculous tree that sustained him and his son Elazar for thirteen years in the cave. His kever is a special place of gathering for people in Israel today. Bonfires, hair cuts and special songs are all part of the celebration in Meron. We also learned about the life of Rabbi Akiva and his favorite saying **“V’Ahavta L’Reacha Kamocho.” We are trying to respect our friends. We are being careful to speak nicely to each other and to take good care of our friends’ toys.**

We are constantly reviewing the alef bais letters and nekudos. The letters tzadi and tzadi sofis were introduced this week. We thought of many word combinations.

We started practicing for our graduation. Each child has received a part. Please review it daily, making **sure your child says it slowly and clearly. Won’t we shep nachas on June 6.**

This week, in Pirkei Avos, we discussed the mishna of:

איזהו עשיר, השמה בחלקו

The children also learned the song from the “Marvelous Middos Machine” about this concept.

For Parashas Bechukosai, we learned that when we follow Derech Hashem, Hashem will bless us. Of **course, we will try to go to shul and say “Chazak, Chazak V’Nischazek.”**

KINDERGARTEN I & II- MOROT BERNEY & MIRIAM

We so enjoyed the letter “Jj” that we decided to hold it over for another week. We jumped right into our week and read the story The Big Job. We completed our unit on pollution and junk. We reviewed the different kinds of pollution; air, land, water and noise. We also discussed the universal problem of how to dispose of our garbage without polluting the air. We talked about what we love about our environment and what we can do to protect it. Among the books that we listened to this week were The Lorax by Dr. Seuss and Too Much Junk Food by Stan and Jan Berenstain. We jogged around the playground, and some of us enjoyed playing jump rope. We recited and acted out jingles. Naturally, we spent time working in our journals.

In the middle of the week, we started the “Xx, Yy” letterbook. The children were fascinated to discover that **although “Xx” at the beginning of a word is rare, it is commonly found at the end of a word (box, fox, six, mix etc.) We also learned that “Yy” acts as both a consonant (yellow, yes, yolk etc.) and as a vowel (long I at the end of one syllable words– cry, try, fly etc.)**

In math, we continued working on clocks and addition.

Handwritten letters: X, Y, Z, A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z

Handwritten letters: X, Y, Z, A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z

Ahuva Grossman

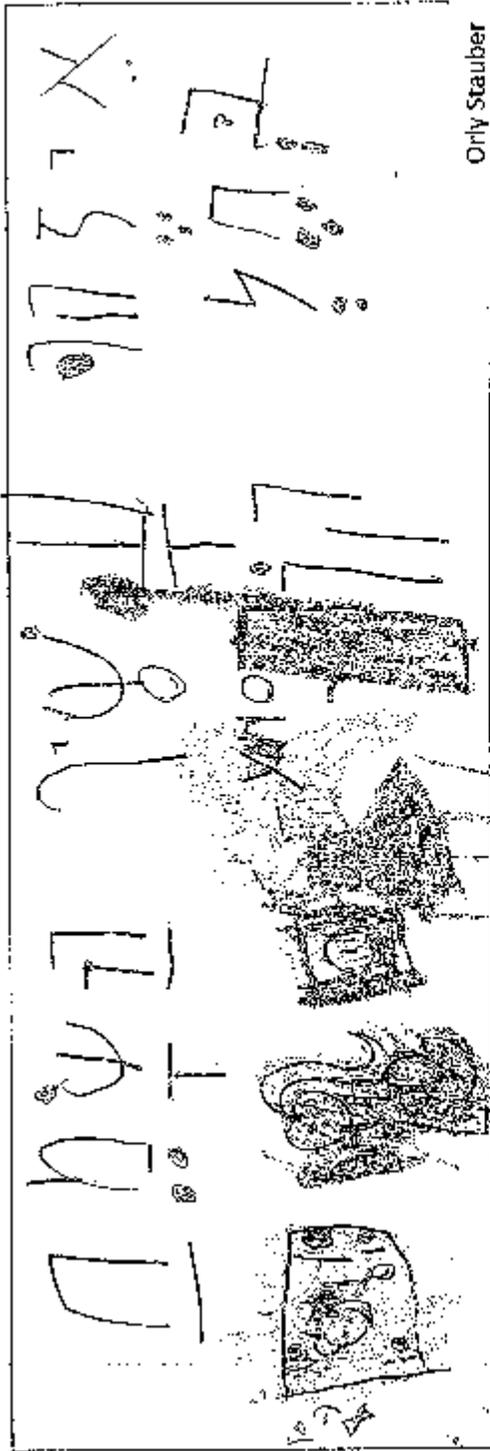
Kindergarten II

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Birds, flowers

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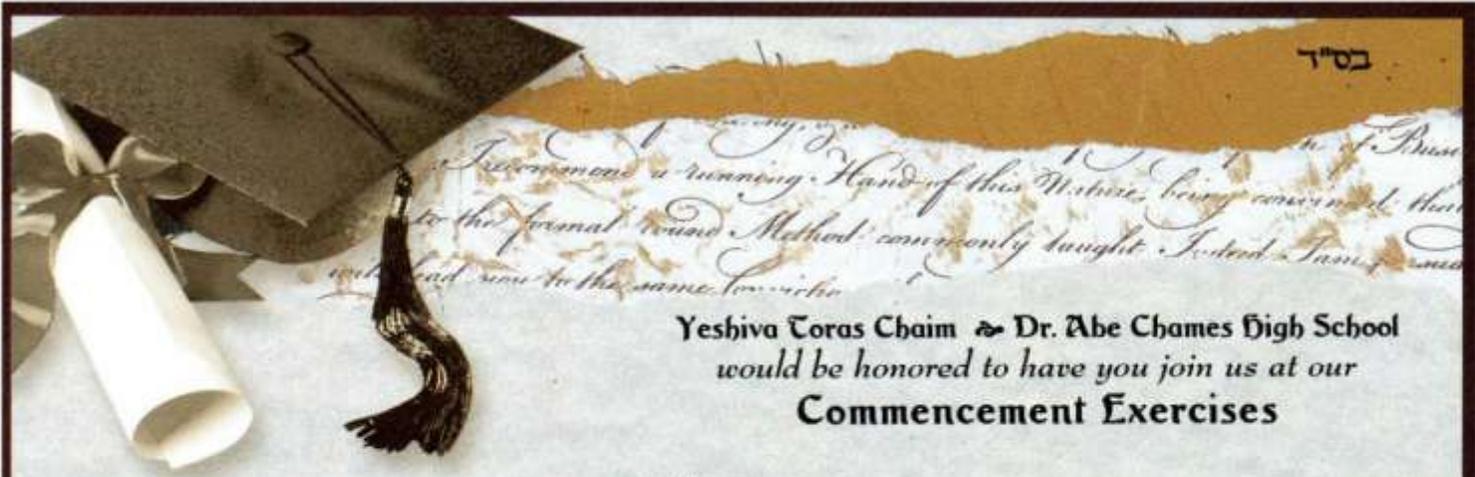
Handwriting practice lines for the words 'MAY DRES' and 'I HAVE A MOMMY'.

The first row shows the word 'MAY' written on a set of three horizontal lines (top, middle, bottom). The letter 'M' is formed by two diagonal lines meeting at the top and a vertical line at the bottom. The letter 'A' is formed by two diagonal lines meeting at the top and a horizontal line across the middle. The letter 'Y' is formed by two diagonal lines meeting at the top, a horizontal line across the middle, and a vertical line extending to the bottom. The word 'DRES' is written in a similar style on the same lines.

The second row shows the word 'I HAVE A MOMMY' written on the same set of three horizontal lines. The letter 'I' is a simple vertical line. The word 'HAVE' is written in a similar style to 'MAY'. The word 'A' is a simple horizontal line. The word 'MOMMY' is written in a similar style to 'MAY'.

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...a running Hand of this Nature, being conversant, that to the formal round Method conversely taught. I need not say, and will lead you to the same conviction.

**Yeshiva Toras Chaim & Dr. Abe Chames High School
would be honored to have you join us at our
Commencement Exercises**

אור ליום ד' סיון, תשע"א

Sunday evening, June 5, 2011, promptly at 8:30 P.M.

*Yeshiva Toras Chaim
1025 NE Miami Gardens Drive
N. Miami Beach, Florida 33179*

Reception following Program

Please RSVP to the Toras Chaim Office - 305-944-5344

Your presence will greatly enhance this special occasion.

*Women are requested
to dress in accordance
with strict
Orthodox tradition.*

*Our
Graduates*

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Isaac Mizrahi

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Yitzchak Ouaknine

Josh Blavin

Meir Palgon

Adam Debri

Yehuda Palgon

Jacob Gassner

Daniel Pomper

Binyomin Goldenberg

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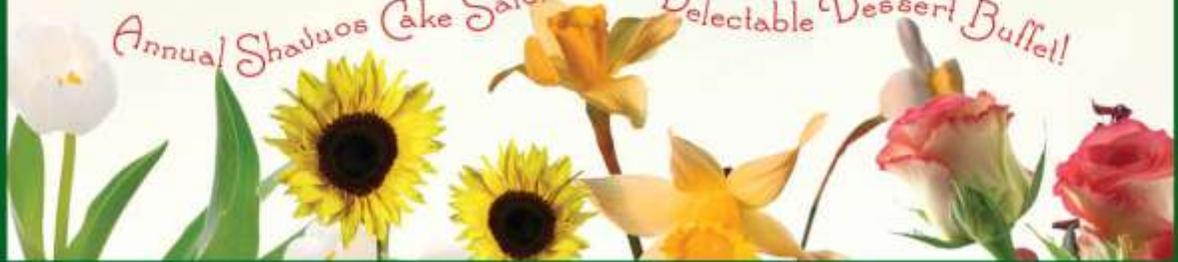


Wednesday, June 1, 2011

DOORS OPEN 8:00 PM
PROGRAM BEGINS 9:00 PM
AT THE HOME OF
MRS. ALYSSA BAUMGARTEN
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