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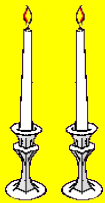


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Shaindel Goldenberg – S.S.
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CANDLE
LIGHTING

5:13 pm

27TH ANNUAL DINNER & JOURNAL CAMPAIGN

We hope you've all received your invitations and are making plans to attend the dinner. Please see the attached Journal Update for an up-to-the-minute progress report. We hope your name is on the list of those who are helping to make our campaign a huge success, but if not, don't worry... it's not too late! There are three ways to pledge your support: by phone - [305-944-5344](tel:305-944-5344), by fax - [305-947-5021](tel:305-947-5021) and ads online - www.ytcteam.org/dinner. Please choose one and do it right away!!

TEAM PLAYERS

Daniel Akrish
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Aaron Riesel
Aaron Rosenberg
Yaacov Suissa
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Miriam Bisker
Racheli Breier
Miriam Dreyfuss
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Chaya Mushka Greenberg
Esther Pam
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Yasmin Reboh
Esti Schwartz
Abigail Shapiro
Ayelet Siev
Orly Stauber
Mindel Weinberger

CHANUKAH SAFETY

With the forthcoming Yom Tov of Chanukah, we would like to share the following Chanukah-related safety precautions:



- Cover all surfaces on which Chanukah menorahs rest with silver foil or inflammable trays. Position Chanukah candles well away from curtains.
- Keep all candles, matches and flammable liquids out of reach of young children.
- Do not leave burning Chanukah menorahs unattended.
- Supervise young children closely when lighting the menorahs, and when celebrations or games are taking place near the Chanukah menorahs.
- Assure that smoke detectors are installed throughout the house and check that fresh batteries are inserted.

(Advisory courtesy of Torah Umesorah)

Wishing all of our parents, staff and administration a safe, Happy Chanukah.

ASSEMBLIES

Our Chanukah assemblies will take place, IY”H, this Thursday, December 22 featuring 2G and 2B. **Girls’ assembly is at 1:30 PM, boys’ assembly at 2:45 PM.** Official uniform must be worn all day, including white knee socks for the girls.

CHANUKAH TV CONTROL

The second of our three TV/Video/DVD Control programs for this year takes place during Chanukah.



Letters explaining the program and a contract will be sent home on Monday. The TV Control calendar will be forthcoming. In addition to the prize drawings, all children who successfully completed the Aseres Yimei Teshuva Program and this Chanukah Program will enjoy a barbecue lunch and special event during a coming school day if we have at least 70% participation in this program—as we did in the Aseres Yimei Teshuva program. Please encourage your children to participate in this most worthwhile program.

YEDIOS HATORAH 5772

Everyone is diligently studying their Kislev Yedios HaTorah booklets in preparation for the next testing date on December 29. Good luck!



MISHNAYOS KICK-OFF BRUNCH

This past Sunday, the Toras Emes boys grades 3-5 and their fathers and grandfathers tasted the sweet taste of learning as they joined in and enhanced the magnificent Kol Torah in the Beis Medrash of Yeshiva Toras Chaim. After a short shiur, everyone proceeded to the main dining room for the festive brunch.

A meaningful event such as this could not possibly have taken place without the special people who worked so hard to make it possible. We extend our heartfelt thanks to:

Mrs. Esther Entin & Mrs. Esta Rosenberg (and families), whose tireless work in coordinating this kick-off from the planning, to the invitations through the brunch—and everything in-between—resulted in a most meaningful event! Your personal touches and special warmth were apparent in every aspect of the day.

Our Rosh Yeshiva, Rabbi Yisroel Niman, our guest speaker, whose *Divrei Torah* inspired the assemblage and encouraged us in our pursuit of learning and *Midos Tovos*.

Our supportive fathers, grandfathers and friends, whose attendance on Sunday morning provided loving encouragement and demonstrated staunch support for the Torah learning of their children and grandchildren.

Our extraordinary Rebbeim, whose dedication and devotion to Torah learning, and to the spiritual and emotional growth and well being of their *talmidim*, make this all possible.

The Mishnayos Brunch was underwritten by a generous grant from HSK consulting and the Liberman family and sponsored by the following families:

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Our annual extra-curricular *Mishnayos* Learning Project is currently underway for all boys in grades 3 through 5. Please encourage your boys to participate and help them learn!



CALENDAR NOTES

December 25-27

Chanukah Break—no school

December 28

School resumes.
Concert & Sevivon
Spectacular!



REFUAH SHELAIMA

Ruchama Aliza Sara Chana *bas* Esther Liba

Bracha Elka *bas* Maryasha Rivka

Zev Meir *ben* Yael Sara

Rivka *bas* Sarah Raizel

Yosef Simcha *ben* Zaka Basya

Yehuda Pinchas *ben* Osna

Leah Golda *bas* Esther Frimet

Ephraim Yankel *ben* Gnesha

Yosef Shalom *ben* Chaya Musha

(Rav Eliyashiv, Shlita)

Asher *ben* Gittel

Chaim Zev *ben* Faiga Toiba

Hadassah Leah *bas* Shoshana

Tzvi Zelig *ben* Chasa Rochel

Yitzchak *ben* Blima

Chava *bas* Sara

ALERT AND AWARE

As the holiday season is upon us, we ask that everyone maintain a heightened awareness of the potential for criminal activity and vandalism associated with this time of year. When visiting the school, please lock your cars and make sure that there are no belongings visible to passersby. Being vigilant of your surroundings and maintaining a secure hold of your possessions can help serve to deter most unwelcome activity.

BOOK FAIR WRAP-UP

Our Book Fair concluded successfully and appears to have been quite a hit with students and parents.

Many, many thanks to our chairpersons, Mrs. Rachel Breier, Mrs. Esther Entin and Mrs. Racheli Grossman for their untiring efforts in organizing, coordinating and purchasing books and materials for the Book Fair.

We also thank the parent volunteers who so generously donated their time and energy to the success of this project. *Yasher Koach* to all who participated in this undertaking for the benefit of our students, teachers and the school!



KIDS FOR KOSHER FOOD BANK

For the month of December the specific requests are **kids' cereal, canned** fruits, and Shabbos candles. Keep in mind

that all the food must be either OU, Chaf-K, O-K, or Star-K certified, making it suitable for any family.

Thank you for your continued help. *Yasher Koach!*



PARSHA WITH THE PRINCIPAL

Rabbi Baumann's weekly Parashas HaShavua class takes place every Thursday, 8:45-9:30 am, in the main office. All are welcome to attend.



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Erev Shabbos Parashas Vayeishev 5772

Dear Parents,

The timeliness and timelessness of this message from a previous letter compels me to send it home once again.

This week's Parsha contains a heroic lesson for all eternity that has very practical implications for our children. Based on the incident where *Tamar* was willing to be put to death by fire rather than embarrass her father-in-law *Yehuda*, the *Gemara (Brachos 43b)* tells us **"It is preferable (more pleasant, more acceptable) for a person to jump into a fiery furnace than to publicly humiliate another person."** *Rav Yehuda Leib Chasman zt"l, Mashgiach of the Chevron Yeshiva*, asks; why does the *Gemara* use the word **"Noach"** pleasant, acceptable, rather than the word *Chayav* – which would mean a person is obligated to possibly give up his life rather than embarrass another. He explains, it teaches that it is the preferred path, just as a person confronted with two fires blocking his way, one large and one small, will choose the small fire. **So too, a person should see the physical fire of a furnace as smaller than the 'fire' of embarrassing another human being.**

What a lofty concept! Embarrassing another person is not only, not 'cool' (pun intended) – it is one of the worst things a person can do! A person with the right perspective, like *Tamar*, will feel that he'd be better off jumping into a burning oven in order to not embarrass someone. The fire that one will endure in the World of Truth and Eternal Justice is infinitely 'hotter' than the heat of fire on this earth. **This is not forcing oneself to sublimate his feelings and desires to fulfill Hashem's will – this is a realization that bringing the pain of humiliation to his fellow is like starting a forest fire – it is overwhelmingly destructive.**

A difficult challenge that faces children in a school setting is controlling their reaction to 'annoying' behavior on the part of others. **Those who do the annoying, children who lack the savvy to 'find favor' in the eyes of their peers, are in turn, the most likely ones to face teasing and unkind words. Perhaps these children can't read facial signals and body language, don't respect others' private space, don't realize their comments come across as bragging or overly self-centered etc.**

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These children may have a problem that requires adult support, whether parental or professional. But while these children may not be able to help themselves, the others, the majority, need to learn that their reactions to these behaviors are **completely their own responsibility. No amount of 'annoying' justifies reactive** words or actions designed to embarrass.

Our children can understand such a lesson. Embarrassing another person must be avoided like desecrating *Shabbos*, non-kosher food and *Loshon Hora*. Great praise needs to be lavished upon a child who controls himself and avoids embarrassing another. Put downs, teasing and name-calling are not merely childish naughtiness that can be ignored. If left unchecked, these behaviors will form the foundations of life-long *Midos* that can have earth-shatteringly negative consequences for your **child and the relationships he or she will need to build in his or her life. "It is preferable to jump into a fiery furnace than to publicly humiliate another person."** Talk to your children about these words of *Chazal*, and keep talking about it again **and again. If it's important to you, it will become important to them.**

Best wishes for a pleasant *Shabbos*,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rabbi Kalman Baumann".

Rabbi Kalman Baumann
Principal

MISHNAYOS KICK-OFF 5772





*27th Annual Dinner & Journal Campaign
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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 8th at the Treetop Ballroom at Jungle Island. Invitations will follow in the mail.

Have a great Shabbos!

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