

# Toras Emes E.C.E.

**Parshios Vayakhel-Pekudei  
Parashas Parah**

**March 16, 2012  
Candle Lighting 7:11 P.M.**

## MATZAH FACTORY:

Once again, Rabbi Ganzberg and his traveling Matza Bakery arrived at Toras Emes. The children mixed flour and water together to make matza dough and had the opportunity to bake a matza themselves. Each child took home a **matza and a baker's hat**. What a wonderful experience this was for the children.

## REGISTRATION 2012-2013

Registration is in the mail please read it carefully as there have been many changes.

## REMINDER

Friday Dismissal for the Early Childhood Department is at 2:00 p.m.  
Dismissal on Fridays for the Elementary school is at 2:30 p.m.

## SAVE THE DATE!!!

Yeshiva Toras Chaim/  
Toras Emes  
8th Annual Chinese Auction  
Sunday, May 6, 2012



## CALENDAR NOTES:

Pesach Vacation– April 4-15. School resumes on April 16 at 10:00 a.m.

## NICHUM AVEILIM

Mr. Moshe and Esther Schwab and Family on the loss of their daughter and sister, Aliza. Shiva will be observed at the Schwab house through Wednesday morning, 941 NE 176th Street. Shachris will be at 8:00 a.m. Sunday-Wednesday. Micha/Maariv will be at 7:15 p.m. Sunday-Tuesday. The family can also be reached at 305-493-8555 or 305-484-8222.

## MAZEL TOV:

Rabbi Zev and Yocheved Lesnik on the birth of a son.

Rabbi Asher and Amy Suissa on the birth of a son.

## KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION MEETING

There will be a preliminary meeting to plan the graduation reception on Tuesday, March 20 at 1:30 p.m. If you would like to volunteer, please call the school office.

## SHUSHAN PURIM CARNIVAL

Thank you to Morah Tami Tzur and Morah Susan Kashick for organizing the Purim Carnival. Everyone had a wonderful time visiting all of the carnival booths.

Thank you to all of the parent volunteers who helped make the carnival such a success:

Chana Alber, Mrs. Sarah Alber, Shaina Bedziner, Rabbi Moshe Druin, Mr. Ari Feldman, Avigayil Feldman, Mr. Jeff Gassner, Mrs. Merav Goldsmith, Mrs. Suri Gross, Mrs. Jennifer Kasztl, Abby Laks, Mrs. Shelly Laks, Mrs. Gitty Levine, Yaakov Maya, Mr. Yair Maya, Mrs. Beth Ruck, Mrs. Amy Salzman, Dovi Schwartz, Mrs. Tamara Siegel, Mrs. Arin Taillard, Mrs. Ruchi Turner, Esther Ungar, Mrs. Stacey Waldman, Cheftzi Weberman, Sara Weberman

## MODEL SEDARIM

Tuesday, March 27– Nursery Classes  
Wednesday, March 28– Pre-K Classes  
Thursday, March 29– Kindergarten Classes

## WE ARE GROWING BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS!

We are pleased to share with our parents that this year we have received a record number of applications from new students to both the elementary school and Early Childhood. Please be aware that now that we have passed the March 15th early registration deadline, we will be allowing new students to enroll. If you have not registered yet, your child may be at risk of losing his place in the class. Please be sure to register this coming week!

## NURSERY I & II- MOROT ETTIE & TAMI

The Nursery children loved hearing the many beautiful midrashim about the life of Moshe Rabeinu- how he was placed in a teivas gomeh by his mother Yocheved and hidden in the river amongst the tall reeds. As Miriam watched her brother Moshe, Batya, the daughter of Paroh came down and heard Moshe cry. She reached out her hand and Hashem made a nes occur. Her hand stretched out all the way to the teivah. We also learned how Bnei Yisroel became slaves and how Moshe Rabbeinu was commanded by Hashem to lead Bnei Yisroel out of Mitzrayim. The children pretended to be slaves. They built **the cities of Pitom and Ramses and sang the song "Bang, Bang, Hold Your Hammers Low."**

Bang, bang, bang, hold your hammers low  
Bang, bang, bang, give a heavy blow  
**For it's work, work, work**  
Every day and every night (2x)

Dig, dig, dig your shovels deep  
Dig, dig, there is no time to sleep.

For Parshios Vayakhel-Pekudei, we learned about the mitzvah of tzedakah. Bnei Yisroel loved this mitzvah and gave generously for the building of the Mishkan. We also learned about the importance of Shabbos and how it took precedence over the construction of the Mishkan. We talked about objects **which are "mukseh" on Shabbos and how we are not allowed to touch them.**

For Parashas Parah, we learned about the Parah Adumah and the story of Dama Ben Nesina.

## NURSERY I & II- MOROT NECHAMA & SUSAN

We began a new unit on health and safety. We discussed the importance of taking care of ourselves by eating healthy foods, brushing our teeth and washing our hands before we eat. We also reviewed many of the safety rules that we learned earlier in the year.

We listened to the stories The Thingamajig Book On Health And Safety by Irene Keller, The Look Out Book- A Child's Guide To Street Safety by Cindy Blakely, Strangers by Dorothy Chlad and I See A Stop Sign by Lois Klove.

As an art project, we made stop signs and held them as we sang a song about safety. In our dramatic play area, we set up a pretend street corner where we practiced crossing the street safely. We also made beautiful Q-tip paintings.

## PRE-KI & II- MOROT ETTIE & HEIDI

This week, two parshios are going to be read in Shul: Parashas Vayakhel and Parashas Pekudei. For Parashas Vayakhel, we learned how Moshe Rabbeinu gathered all of Bnei Yisroel together to let them know that Hashem had given them the mitzvah of building the Mishkan. Bnei Yisroel were happy to learn that Hashem had forgiven them for the Chet HaEgel and **that Hashem's shechina would be in the Mishkan. Moshe taught** Bnei Yisroel that although building the Mishkan is very important, they must stop building it when Shabbos is about to begin. We **learned why we can't do certain melachos on Shabbos and how** this concept is related to work that was done in the mishkan.

For Parashas Pekudei, we reviewed the names of the keilim and the bigdei kehuna. We learned that Bnei Yisroel were very eager to contribute to the building of the Mishkan. However, when they attempted to assemble the Mishkan, they were unsuccessful. Only Moshe could put together all the sections of the Mishkan. We learned that the shechina rested on the Mishkan when it was completed as a sign that Hashem was with the Jewish people.

We began our unit on Pesach. The children remembered so many parts of the story of Bnei Yisroel being slaves to Paroh in Mitzrayim and all the nissim that Hashem performed during Krias Yam Suf.

Some Hebrew phrases that we learned this week were:

מה אנחנו עושים במצרים?  
עבדים היינו  
בבקר עובדים  
בצהרים עובדים  
בלילה עובדים  
מי זה פרעה?  
פרעה מלך מצרים

Pesach stories that we read this week included Everything Is Changing by Julie Averbach, Pesach 1-2-3 A Pesach Mitzvah Book by Aidel Backman and The Mouse In The Matzah Factory by Francine Medoff.

The letter Ayin was also introduced this week. Some of the vocabulary words we learned were:

עף  
עינים  
עט  
עוגה  
עוגיה  
עננים  
עפרון

## PRE-KI & II-MORAH JUDY

This week, the Pre-K children started their "Around The World" unit. They located some places on the globe that were familiar to them such as Israel, France, Russia and the United States.

The children identified the country of China on the globe and heard stories about Chinese culture, schools, foods, festivals and the traditional dress of the Chinese people.

**Our letter of the week was the letter "Kk".** The children were able to sound out words such as kangaroo, koala, kitten, kite, key and kitchen.

As a pre-reading activity, the children participated in a game using rhymes such as mixing, fixing, wishing, fishing, frying and crying. They also played games using rhyming words in familiar stories.

Books read to the children this week included The Earth And The Sky- A Scholastic Discovery Book, Little Kangaroo Finds His Way by Ariane Chottin, Around The World Schools And Clothing by Margaret C Hall and Big Snowball Fight- A Counting Book by D.H. Figueredo.

## KINDERGARTEN I, II & III-MOROT BAYLA AND RENA

With Purim behind us, we have started preparing for the beautiful Yom Tov of Pesach. We discussed the enslavement of Bnei Yisroel in Mitzrayim and the bitterness of their lives. We reviewed the birth **and the early years of Moshe Rabbeinu in Paroh's** palace. We enjoyed discussing how we prepare for Pesach in our homes and how we have to be careful not to spread chametz throughout the house.

Our Haggados are beginning to take shape. The yeladim enjoy singing the Mah Nishtana and are also becoming experts in the Simanei HaSeder. The yeladim also learned the song Avadim Hayinu and many new Hebrew phrases such as:

עבדים היינו לפרעה במצרים  
בני ישראל במצרים  
פרעה מלך מצרים  
משה בתיבה  
בת פרעה

The letters Mem and Mem Sofis were introduced this week. We added many new words to our vocabulary and were amazed to see how many words start with mem that are also associated with the Yom Tov of Pesach such as Mah Nishtana, Matzah, Marror, Mitzrayim, Makkos, Moshe and Miriam.

We learned so many beautiful concepts from the Parshios of Vayakhel and Pekudei. For Parashas Vayakhel, we discussed the Lamed Tes Melachos and enjoyed looking at the beautiful book The Thirty Nine Melachos by Rabbi Baruch Chait.

We were very happy to learn that Bnei Yisroel rushed to give so many gifts for the Mishkan. Parashas Pekudei discussed how Moshe was the only one able to set up the Mishkan. We learned how the kaylim and the Kohen Gadol were anointed with a special oil.

**Hashem's Shechina rested on the Mishkan as a cloud by day and fire by night.**

As the week is Parashas Parah, we learned about the Parah Adumah and listened to the story of Dama Ben Nesina.

## KINDERGARTEN I, II & III- MOROT BERNEY & HEIDI

What a magnificent week our kindergarteners had – a week filled with marvelous experiences! We worked **on our "Mm" letterbooks and were so excited to play with** our magic mirrors. We hope that the children will experiment with these magic mirrors at home.

**In honor of "Mm" week, we started a new unit in math.** We started counting money! We computed the value of different sets, using pennies, nickels and dimes. **We also continued our unit on counting numbers in "the teens."**

In our Art center, the children drew and wrote sentences about the Muffin Man. We had a marvelous time creating art work out of paints and marbles and we marched around the room while we sang a song about the months of the year.



# Shushan Purim Carnival













# Matzah Factory



