

JUNE 1, 2012

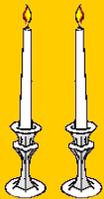
TEAM Spirit

STAR STUDENTS

פרשת נשא

CANDLE
LIGHTING

7:49 pm



Avraham Brass – T.S.
 Danny Breier – T.S.
 Daniel Chattah – S.S.
 Shalom Deutsch – S.S.
 Yoseph Zundel Dubinsky – T.S.
 Shalom Marcus – S.S.
 Mordechai Shapiro – S.S.
 Aryeh Leib Thav – T.S.
 Shmuel Vaiselberg – T.S. & S.S.

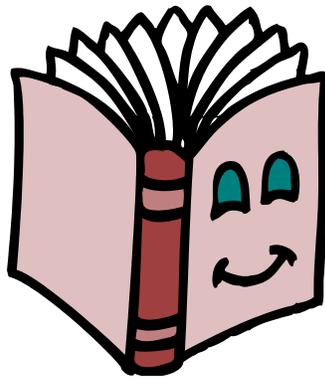
Pnina Bergida – T.S.
 Abby Heller – T.S.
 Sophie Jacobs – S.S.
 Rebecca Katz – T.S.
 Atara Laks – T.S.
 Devorah Nash – T.S.
 Elisheva Raab – S.S.
 Yasmin Reboh – S.S.
 Esti Schwartz – T.S. & S.S.
 Batia Segal – T.S.
 Arielle Serwatien – S.S.
 Maayan Wolpov – S.S.

TEAM PLAYERS

Gavriel Aminov
 Yoseph Baroukh
 Danny Breier
 Daniel Chattah
 Shalom Deutsch
 Ephraim Dudovitz
 Dovid Grinman
 Netanel Hendel
 Aaron Riesel
 Shelomo Sutton

Adi Akrish
 Naomi Bursztyn
 Yarden Davis
 Pasha Dreyfuss
 Tzipporah Leah Greenberg
 Naomi Kalchman
 Kayla Lefkowitz
 Simcha Leonoff
 Ella Liberman
 Noga Libson
 Yasmin Reboh
 Rochel Schloss
 Abigail Shapiro
 Elisheva Sharfman

BRING IN THOSE BOOKS!



There are still many books that have not been returned the library. Please make every effort to see that all library books borrowed by your child are returned as soon as possible. Bills will be sent for the replacement value of any missing library books or text books. Progress Reports and S.A.T. scores will not be sent until your account is cleared. Thank you for your cooperation.

WALKATHON WRAP-UP

Our students are hard at work collecting the pledges they received for the Lag B'Omer walkathon. Please help them complete all of the collecting before school is out and help us honor our commitment to needy families in our community. The T-shirts should be arriving shortly.



Don't forget... Everyone who brings in all their pledges (minimum of \$35) before the end of the school year will receive a beautiful Toras Emes cap—perfect for summer vacation!

CLOTHES 'N BOWS UNIFORMS



To ensure back to school delivery of your new uniforms, **please visit Clothes 'N Bows** for your fitting (and \$10 gift certificate!) before Sunday, June 10. If you have any questions call the store at 305.947.9646.

Please note the new uniform styles, colors and policies for 2012-13. Information sheet is attached to the newsletter.

KINDERGARTEN SIBLINGS

The Kindergarten graduation takes place this coming Wednesday at 10:30 AM.

Siblings only are invited for the performance only and will then be given some treats and escorted back to class. No need for parents to pick up—they will be brought to the auditorium and are to sit by one (or both) of their parents.



REFUAH SHELAIMA

Ariella Sarah bas Elisheva Malka

Leah Golda bas Esther Frimmet

Chaya Michelle bas Ene

Penina bas Ashira

Bracha Elka bas Mariasha Rivka

Ayalah Sima bas Limor

Rachel Leah bas Sara

Yehudis bas Chaya Perel

R' Chaim Yisroel ben Chana Tziril

(Rav Belsky, Shlita)

R' Yosef Shalom ben Chaya Musha

(Rav Elyashiv, Shlita)

R' Yaakov Chai ben Margalit

(Rav Yosef, Shlita)

Shalom Dovid ben Bracha Margalit



MAZEL TOV

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

To Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Gittleson and family on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, our alumnus, Yochanan.



To Rabbi and Mrs. Moshe Druin and family on the birth of a granddaughter, born to their daughter Naomi and Rabbi Menachem Biolo.



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

Rabbi Kalman Baumann
Principal

Dr. Deborah Lerer
Secular Studies Principal

Rabbi Noam Grossman
Assistant Principal

Mrs. Naomi Bloom
Early Childhood Director

Erev Shabbos Parashas Naso 5772

Dear Parents,

A recent edition of one of the Torah weekly magazines contained an article that detailed a prevalent issue in our communities that while seemingly insignificant, may **have ramifications into many areas of our children's life.** Writing in *Mishpacha* Magazine, Rabbi Shneur Aisenstark, long-time Menahel of the Bais Yaakov Seminary of Montreal addresses a common (mis)behavior of many children, which he describes as not **"Rising to the Occasion."**

In vivid imagery, Rabbi Aisenstark portrays a typical scene at a shul Kiddush where an elderly man with a walker searches for a place to sit. He was standing by a table, **but every seat was filled with "sweet, wonderful, ehrliche children....!"** Not one child got up to offer a seat – not deliberately ignoring the old man, but because of their preoccupation with the cholent, no one noticed or cared. This problem of a lack of *Derech Eretz*, specifically of not fulfilling the *Mitzva of Mipnei Sayva Takum*, standing up for the elderly, is commonplace, and we need and can do something to help our children improve their ways.

The most effective means to making a change in a person's midos and behavior is, as Rabbi Aisenstark puts it so well; "through action that requires physical and mental involvement and has a `cost' associated with it." The mindless exercises that we have our children go through, such as putting our money in a *pushka* does not really create a *Ba'al Tzedaka*. **It's only when the child donates his own money, many, many times, does his behavior and attitude start to conform to what he's been doing.**

Our responsibility as parents and teachers is to look carefully and analyze what behaviors we want to see in our children, and come up with a specific plan to achieve it. If we value *Derech Eretz*, we need to notice the challenges and opportunities our child is confronted with when he or she spends time in shul. We need to come up with a short list – including being quiet during *Davening*, not eating before *Kiddush* is **made, not sitting if there's an adult who needs a seat, picking up food that falls on the floor, and not running in shul.** We need to articulate the need for a certain standard of behavior in each area. We need to help our child envision possible challenges and how to deal with it. Brainstorm together.

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One example might be when your child is sitting quietly next to you in *shul*. Two of his friends come over and invite him to play with them outside. What do you want to happen and if what you want is for your child to politely decline, how have you trained him or her to achieve that? How have you helped him to feel good about himself doing the right thing, or the better thing?

There is no one or only way to fashion your child's behavior and attitude. Offering rewards for reaching specific goals (e.g. sitting quietly for 20 minutes, offering an adult a seat, bringing an elderly person some item from the *Kiddush* etc.) is effective, when preceded by a reminder of what the expectations are. Most effective is for your child to be able to observe you displaying these very behaviors.

Our children can reach tremendous heights in *mentschlichkeit* if we would focus on the specific issue at hand, take some time preparing them by outlining expectations and then following through with a reward for their efforts. You will be setting your children on the path to great happiness and fulfillment and you will be sowing the seeds for future generations that will bring great pride and *nachas* to their forbears.

May this *Shabbos* rise to your expectations of being positive and enjoyable,



Rabbi Kalman Baumann

TORAS EMES KLURMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
OFFICIAL SCHOOL UNIFORM / DRESS CODE POLICY 2012 – 13

The following new guidelines are in effect for the 2012 – 13 school year:

The requirement for girls to wear long sleeves, that is, to wear sleeves that cover the elbows, will now begin in third grade. Girls in first and second grade need sleeves that cover more than halfway to the elbow.

Knee socks will be required for girls in fourth and fifth grades on all days. All colors and designs are OK. Characters and writing are not. Younger girls will be required to wear the knee socks in future years, but in the interim must have socks that cover the ankles. Nude stockings and knee highs are no longer acceptable for any students.

Uniform Shirt – there will no longer be a requirement for oxford or peter pan shirts.

‘Official uniform’ shirt will include a white, collared, 3 button polo shirt, with the school logo, available from the uniform company.

Non-uniform Shirt – Hunter Green will be acceptable for both boys and girls. Yellow (for girls) will be phased out. It will still be acceptable for 2012-13, but not beyond.

Sweaters and sweatshirts with hoods are now acceptable. Acceptable colors are solid navy, white and hunter green, no designs, pictures or writing. Hoods may not be worn in class.

All other requirements are unchanged. Those requirements follow.

POLICY

All students in the elementary grades are to be dressed in the school uniform while attending school. The school uniform is in effect on two levels:

On OFFICIAL UNIFORM DAY: which will include the first day of school, assembly days, trip days and other special occasions, all students must wear the official uniform which consists of:

BOYS – **‘Official uniform’ shirt will include a white, collared, 3 button polo shirt, with the school logo available from the uniform company. (as noted above)** Oxford shirts are still acceptable. Navy pants available only from our uniform company.

GIRLS’ TOPS – **‘Official uniform’ shirt will include a white, collared, 3 button polo shirt, with the school logo available from the uniform company. (as noted above)** Peter Pan shirts are still acceptable.

GIRLS’ BOTTOMS – **the plaid ‘black watch’ knife pleat jumper or skirt and white knee socks.** This is available only from our uniform company.

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TEAM – KES School Uniform Policy - continued

On ALL OTHER DAYS:

BOYS - a solid white, light blue or hunter green shirt with a collar and at least 3 buttons, with navy or black pants. These shirts need not be monogrammed.

GIRLS' TOPS - a solid white, light blue or hunter green blouse or polo with a collar. These blouses need not be monogrammed.

GIRLS' BOTTOMS – jumper or skirt of the uniform plaid; the navy knife pleat jumper or skirts from uniform store only. (Other solid navy skirts are unacceptable).

PLEASE NOTE:

Boys' shirts with other logos and girls' embroidered or lace-trimmed blouses are not acceptable.

Sweaters and sweatshirts must be solid navy, solid white or solid hunter green. These additional uniform pieces are available from our uniform company and comparable sweaters/sweatshirts may also be purchased or acquired from other sources. No writing or pictures other than the TEAM logo.

GIRLS

All skirts are to be below-the- knee length and may not have any slits (walking vents).

Girls in grades 1-2 must have sleeves covering more than halfway to the elbow.

Girls in grades 3, 4 and 5 must have sleeves covering their elbows. Short-sleeved shirts, even from the uniform company, are unacceptable for these older girls.

Socks are to be worn at all times. Socks are to reach above the ankles. Sport socks worn inside the shoe and barely visible are not acceptable. Girls in grades 4 and 5 need to wear knee socks on all days.

Crocs and wheelies may not be worn to school.

BOYS

Hair should be cut so as not to reach the shirt collar, and be neatly combed.

Tzitzis must be worn at all times

Pants that are faded, have holes, or have visible patches are not acceptable. Cargo pants (with pockets down the leg) are not acceptable.

Socks are to be worn at all times. Socks are to reach above the ankles. Sport socks worn inside the shoe and barely visible are not acceptable.

Crocs and wheelies may not be worn to school.

The Uniform Company is **Clothes 'n Bows**, located across the street from the school at:
1121 N.E. 163rd Street.

Store phone: 305-947-9646. E-mail: clothesnbows@gmail.com.

TORAS EMES ACADEMY OF MIAMI

June 2012

סיון-תמוז תשע"ב

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | 1 י"א | 2 י"ב נשא Candle lighting 7:49 |
| 3 י"ג | 4 י"ד | 5 ט"ו | 6 ט"ז KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION 10:30 AM | 7 י"ז 5G GRADUATION PM | 8 י"ח Candle lighting 7:52 | 9 ט"ט בהעלתך |
| 10 כ | 11 כ"א | 12 כ"ב 5B GRADUATION PM | 13 כ"ג END OF YEAR ASSEMBLIES | 14 כ"ד LAST DAY OF SCHOOL DISMISSAL 1:30 pm | 15 כ"ה TEACHER WORK DAY SUMMER REVIEW BEGINS Candle lighting 7:55 | 16 כ"ו שלח שבת מברכים |
| 17 כ"ז | 18 כ"ח | 19 כ"ט | 20 ל ראש חודש | 21 א ראש חודש | 22 ב Candle lighting 7:57 | 23 ג קרח |
| 24 ד | 25 ה | 26 ו | 27 ז | 28 ח | 29 ט | 30 י חקת Candle lighting 7:57 |

Have a great summer!