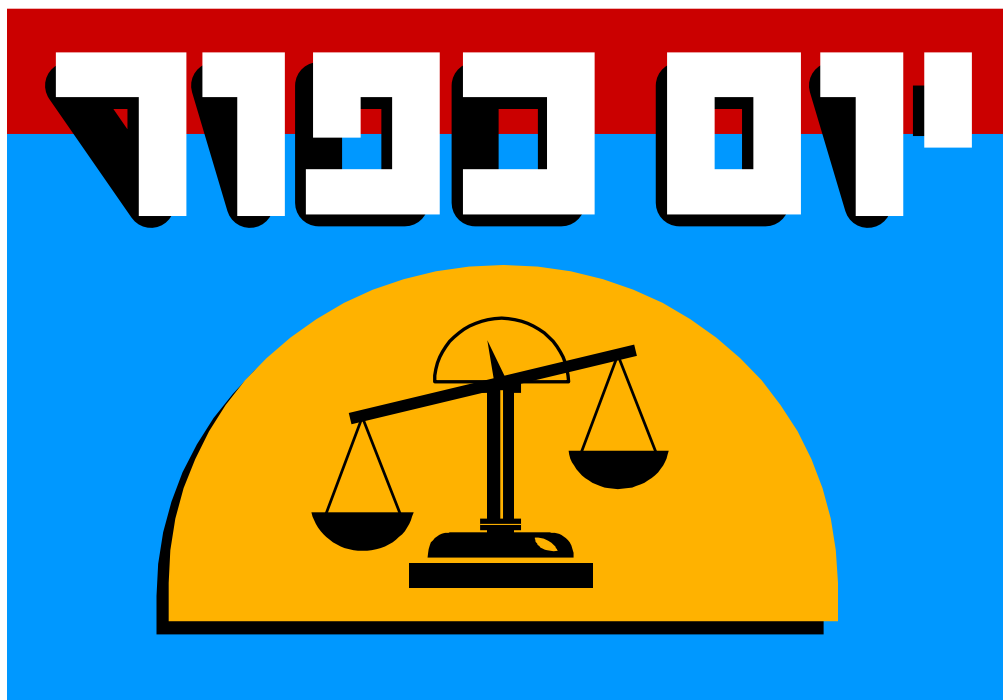


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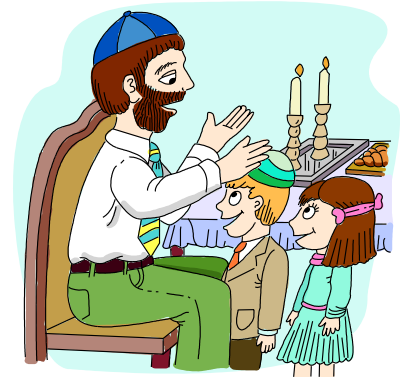
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תשע"ג 5773

# TEAM Spirit

## BIRCHAS HABONIM

The blessing of one's children on Erev Yom Kippur is an exceptionally beautiful and meaningful prayer. Let its recitation sensitize us to the profound responsibilities and opportunities that our children bring to us, as well as allowing **the wellsprings of parents' love to be showered upon them.** In the spirit of the Yomim Noraim, the administration and staff would like to ask forgiveness from parents and children for anything we may have said or done improperly this past year.



## STAR STUDENTS

**פרשת וילך**  
**שבת שובה**

FRIDAY  
CANDLE LIGHTING  
6:59 pm

EREV YOM KIPPUR  
CANDLE LIGHTING  
6:55 pm

Shlomo Alfassy – S.S.  
Tzvi Danziger – S.S.  
Avrohom Dennis – T.S.  
Shmueli Feigenbaum – S.S.  
Avrumi Gruenstein – S.S.  
Ariel Hahn – T.S.  
Binyomin Privalsky – S.S.  
Kalmi Rosenberg – S.S.  
Shaya Steinberg – T.S.  
David Suissa – T.S.  
Aryeh Leib Thav – T.S.  
Reuven Wulwick – S.S.

Coty Benarroch – T.S.  
Chaya Mushka Greenberg – S.S.  
Malky Gross – T.S. & S.S.  
Avital Gutfreund – S.S.  
Batel Levi – S.S.  
Chaya Mann – T.S.  
Devorah Nash – T.S.  
Hadassah Privalsky – S.S.  
Esti Stern – S.S.  
Shira Suissa – T.S.  
Shoshana Wunsch – T.S.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

There is regular school on Sunday and Monday, but this is our Yom Kippur Newsletter!

- TUESDAY, SEPT. 25 -  
EREV YOM KIPPUR  
NO CLASSES
- WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 26 -  
YOM KIPPUR  
NO CLASSES
- THURSDAY, SEPT. 27 -  
CLASSES BEGIN AT 9:00 AM  
DISMISSAL 4:00 PM
- FRIDAY, SEPT. 28 -  
SUKKOS BREAK BEGINS

## TEAM PLAYERS

Moshe Uriel Botton  
Ephraim Dudovitz  
Gershon Goldenberg  
Daniel Heiney  
Zohar Reboh  
Aryeh Sova  
David Suissa  
Uri Toronczyk  
Tzvi Winter  
Benjamin Zafrani

Rebecca Balgley  
Avia Bennett  
Abigail Dennis  
Avigayil Feld  
Chavie Fried  
Zissel Leah Goldsmith  
Malky Gross  
Hadassa Grossman  
Yael Kanoff  
Deborah Nash  
Hadassah Privalsky

Elisheva Raab  
Batzie Rubin  
Abigail Rubinov

## HASMODA PROJECT

We will once again be conducting our semi-annual *Yom Tov* learning program over *Sukkos*. We welcome your support of the **children's voluntary**



learning by becoming a sponsor as a *zechus* for a *Refuah Shelaima*, or in memory of a loved one.

Sponsorships begin at \$50. Please speak with Rabbi Baumann to let him know that you are interested.

## ATERES ZVI

Everyone is asked to participate in our Tzedaka campaign on behalf of needy families in Eretz Yisroel. The campaign continues through *Sukkos*.



## ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE 2012-13

<u>DATES</u>	<u>GIRLS</u>	<u>BOYS</u>
October 25	2G	3B
November 21	5G	2B
December 13	3G	5B-2
January 17	2G	2B
March 14	3G	4B & 1B
April 16	5G	5B
May 9	4G	5B-1 & 3B
May 30	1G	4B

GIRLS—1:30 PM, BOYS—2:45 PM

## REFUAH SHELAIMA

Rochel bas Rivka Leah

Ariella Sara bas Elisheva Malka

Yehuda Pinchas ben Asna

Shlomo Meir ben Aviya Nechama



## MAZEL TOV! MAZEL TOV!

To Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Akrish and family on the birth of a girl.



To Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Gittleson and family on the engagement of their son, our alumnus, Yehuda to Layla Pruzansky of Passaic, New Jersey.



## KIDS FOR KOSHER FOOD BANK

Please bear in mind that the need for basic food items and other daily necessities is ongoing—but especially now during the *Yomim Tovim*. Those in need make an appointment to shop, and are not seen by any other shopper. The Food Bank depends on **everyone's participation to help** combat hunger in our community—one meal, one person at a time. For the month of October the specific requests are grape juice, mayonnaise, canned salmon, sugar and pasta. 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!*



## BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION

We would appreciate it if you send in all boxtops you have collected to date to the office by Monday, October 21 so that we can redeem as many as possible by the October deadline.

Collect and save all of the boxtops and send them in to school with your children. Please bear in mind, the more we collect, the more we are able to do for our school! Grandparents and **neighbors love to help collect...don't forget to** remind them as well. The Boxtops for Education project is ongoing, so please keep collecting after the October 30 deadline. We can continue to benefit throughout the year.





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Dr. Deborah Lerer  
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Rabbi Noam Grossman  
*Assistant Principal*

Mrs. Naomi Bloom  
*Early Childhood Director*

*Erev Shabbos Parashas Vayelech, Shabbos Shuva 5773*

Dear Parents,

Children are at the center of *Yom Tov* celebrations – just think of the *Mah Nishtanah* at the *Pesach Seder* or treats and flags in *shul* on *Simchas Torah*. It is relatively easy to create a love and excitement for observing our *Chagim*, **for they are among one's most pleasant and poignant childhood memories.**

Where do *Yom Kippur*, **and fast days in general fit in to this picture? Children don't have the physical stamina to go for 25 hours without food, so they are not full participants in a fast day's observance.** Furthermore, the activity of remaining in *shul* for a 12 hour *davening* marathon is not designed to include children. So what is a positive, meaningful approach from a *Chinuch* perspective in planning **our children's** *Yom Kippur*?

Consider the following suggestions:

Plan with your children beforehand, what they are willing to undertake in terms of time for *davening*, time for helping *Ima*, **and if they're old enough to fast for part of the time, when they will break their fast.** Fasting should not be trivialized by becoming an endurance contest.

Discuss with your children how their special role on *Yom Kippur* is to help enable their parents and other adults to be able to fast and experience a meaningful *davening*. **It's something they can do, that no adult can.** By making them feel special in their unique role, you will find them much more agreeable and helpful.

**Even if they're not fasting, or once they've broken their fast,** *Yom Kippur*, or any fast day is not a time for treats, sweets and special foods. Children need to eat to maintain their health, but they **can and should participate in the `afflictions' of the day by not indulging in enjoyable foods.** They can eat a simple sandwich and drink plain water to maintain their well-being.

*Yom Kippur* is the happiest day of the year, because of **Hashem's** special gift of atonement that is ours to take advantage of. By following these simple steps, we will ensure that our children will grow to a full appreciation of the proper observance of *Yom Kippur*, and look back upon their childhood experiences on *Yom Kippur* as among their most meaningful memories.

May we all be granted a **G'mar Chasima Tova**.

Best wishes for a wonderful Shabbos,

Rabbi Kalman Baumann

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