

# Early Childhood Newsletter

Yeshiva Toras Chaim Toras Emes

Parashas Vayishlach

November 15, 2013  
Candle Lighting 5:13 P.M.

## 30th Anniversary Journal and Dinner

*Our annual campaign is  
underway!  
Please see the attached flyer  
For our weekly update!*

## CALENDAR NOTES

Thursday, November 28 – Thanksgiving. Classes  
from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Friday, November 29 – Monday, December 2  
Chanukah Vacation. No school.

Tuesday, December 3 –  
Classes resume



## NICHUM AVEILIM:

Mrs. Sandra Getzel on the loss of her mother.

Mrs. Miriam Wiener on the loss of her mother.

## Chanukah Programs

- Nursery.....Morah Tami  
Monday, November 18 ... 9:45 a.m.
- Kindergarten I.....Morah Bayla  
Tuesday, November 19 ... 10:00 a.m.
- Kindergarten II.....Morah Rena  
Wednesday, November 20 ... 9:45 a.m.
- Pre-KII.....Morah Heidi  
Thursday, November 21 ... 9:45 a.m.
- Pre-KI.....Morah Nechama  
Monday, November 25 ... 9:45 a.m.
- Kindergarten III .....Morah Bayla  
Tuesday, November 26 ... 10:00 a.m.
- Kindergarten IV.....Morah Heidi  
Wednesday, November 27 ... 9:45 a.m.

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## NURSERY – MORAH TAMI

Just walk into the Nursery class and you will feel a special Chanukah spirit. Our classroom is decorated with beautiful arts and crafts projects for Chanukah. We have been busy practicing our songs for the Chanukah party, making individual chanukiot out of wood and learning the brachos al haneros. We even know just how to light the candles from left to right. We cannot wait to perform this great mitzvah.

Several Chanukah stories were read to the children. Our favorites were Sammy Spider's First Chanukah by Sylvia A Rouss and Danny The Dizzy Draydl by Cheryl Gunsher.

Our Hebrew language unit this week focused on misparim. We learned to count from one to five in Hebrew as well as the phrases:

אני מספר אחד  
אתה מספר שתיים  
זה מספר שלש  
תן לי מספר ארבע  
את מספר חמש

The Hanukkah Counting Book by Emily Spen was read to the children to reinforce their knowledge of the misparim.

We also learned many new Hebrew vocabulary words focusing on Chanukah such as:

שמש  
נרות  
לביבות  
שמן  
מכבים  
פך שמן

For Parashas Vayishlach, we learned that Yaakov had to prepare himself for meeting Esav. He prepared himself in three ways: Tefillah, Matana and Milchama. We spoke about Yaakov's name and how his name was changed to Yisroel. Once again, we enjoyed singing all the names of Yaakov's children: Reuven, Shimon, Levi...

## NURSERY – MORAH SUSAN

This week, the Safe Child Program was introduced into our classroom. We started with a unit entitled All About Strangers. We discussed the importance of not speaking to people that we do not know. We learned four important rules about strangers:

1. Stay an arm's distance away from anyone you don't know.
2. Don't talk to strangers.
3. Do not accept anything from a stranger.
4. Don't go with a stranger.

We learned the motto "If you don't know, don't go." We also listened to the stories Yoni Ploni, The Little Yeshiva Boy Who Never Talked To Strangers! By Yehoshua Danese and The Berenstain Bears Learn About Strangers by Stan and Jan Berenstain. The children also made safety badges, and listened to the Suki and Ding "Safety" CD.

During art centers, we made our own clay. We also mixed many different colors of paint together to make green, orange and purple. The children then chose what color they wanted their clay to be.

PRE-KI & II MOROT HEIDI & NECHAMA

In Parashas Vayishlach, we learned why Yaakov's name was changed to Yisroel. We reviewed the names of all of Yaakov's sons, including Binyomin, whose birth is mentioned in this week's parsha. We heard how Yaakov prepared for meeting Eisav by davening, preparing gifts and getting ready for war. We learned how Yaakov was reunited with his brother Eisav. We also spoke about the special burial place in Eretz Yisroel-Kever Rochel-where Rochel Imeinu is buried.

Our Hebrew letter this week is Zayin. Some of the vocabulary words that we learned were:

זהב  
זכוב  
זאב  
זית  
זריזות

We listened to the story Bat'-Em-In-Benjie by Chanie Friedman which teaches us to do mitzvos b'zrizus.

The new Hebrew phrases that we focused on this on this week were:

נר כתום  
נר אדום  
נר כחול  
נר צהוב  
בית המקדש  
כהן גדול  
מכבים  
יונים

Our excitement is building each day because we are working on beautiful Chanukah presents for our families. We have also been practicing our songs for the upcoming Chanukah celebration.

PRE-KI & II- MORAH JUDY

This week, we began a new unit on "Colonial Times." Through art, music, stories and hands on activities, the children will experience life during Colonial Times. The culmination of our unit will be a "Colonial Toy Fair" featuring replicas of toys from the Colonial period.

The Pre-K children were introduced to the many events that took place during Colonial Times. They were fascinated by the story of the Native Americans who taught the Pilgrims how to survive in the New World. They heard stories of how the Pilgrims sailed on the Mayflower to the New World where they landed on Plymouth Rock.

This week, we reviewed the letters Aa, Bb and Cc and created our own ABC books. Thank you to Mrs. Sharona Git for joining Pre-K. She presented items beginning with the letter Cc to our class. The children put together their own ABC books.

As a science project, we mixed oil and food coloring. The children made predictions about the food coloring mixing with the oil. The food coloring seemed to create a pretty design as it separated from the oil.

Some of our favorite books this week were Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin Jr. and Jack And the Beanstalk.

KINDERGARTEN I, II, III & IV  
MOROT BAYLA, HEIDI & RENA

Preparing for Chanukah has kept the yeladim in Kindergarten busy all week long. They have been practicing their Chanukah songs and getting ready for their Chanukah programs.

The yeladim were fascinated to hear the story of Chanukah. They learned about Chana and her seven sons and how Yehudis saved the Jews from Holofernes. They all practiced what it would feel like if the Yevanim were around and would have to quickly hide their sefarim and pretend that they were playing with their sevivonim. The children learned about the victory of the Macabbim over the Yevanim. When the Bais Hamikdash was cleaned up, the oil in the kad shemen lasted for eight nights even through there was only enough oil for one night. The children enjoyed listening to The Story Of Chanukah by Sara Leon and The Dangerous Draydl Ride by Chaiky Halpern.

In our reading program, we are reviewing the letters and nekudos that we have learned so far. We also introduced the letter ו and saw that he was a cousin to the letter ב. Even though they do not look alike, they do sound alike. Some of the words that we mentioned that begin with the letter ו include:

ורד  
ושתי  
וישלה

We stressed the mitzvah of ואהבת לרעך כמוך and are reading books from the "Feelings" series by Shmil Walder.

For Parashas Vayishlach, we heard how Yaakov prepared to meet Eisav with Tefillah, Matana and Milchama. We always beseech Hashem to help us in everything we do. We also learned that Rochel Imeinu was buried at Kever Rochel on the way to Bais Lechem.

In Project Derech, we learned that it is a mitzvah not to contradict or correct a parent.

KINDERGARTEN I, II, III & IV  
MOROT BERNEY, PEARLY & TALIA

This week, we started learning about Thanksgiving. The children loved to hear the story of the Pilgrims who left Europe in search of freedom. They sailed on the Mayflower for many months under poor conditions. Limited supplies of food and water as well and the cold wintery weather made the journey very difficult. The Pilgrims did not know how to grow crops or build houses. A lot of Pilgrims got sick. Luckily, the Native Americans helped and taught the Pilgrims how to grow food and hunt for animals.

We compared how people traveled in Colonial Times and how they travel today. We graphed which children would have liked to travel on the Mayflower. The entire class responded "no." As craft projects for our unit on the Pilgrims and Native Americans, we made Native American headbands and friendship necklaces that we will exchange with another friend at our PowWow.

The children also made suitcases and filled them with drawings of items that they would have liked to take on the Mayflower.

This week, we started the "5s" letterbook. We have been reviewing our sight words: and, the, I, a, am and added the word my. We have been writing in our journals on a daily basis, as well as writing and labeling our projects.

In math, we reviewed the concept of greater than, less than and same. We began chapter 3 which is focusing on the numbers 6 through 10.

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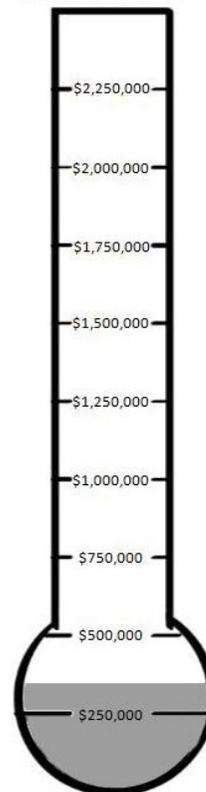
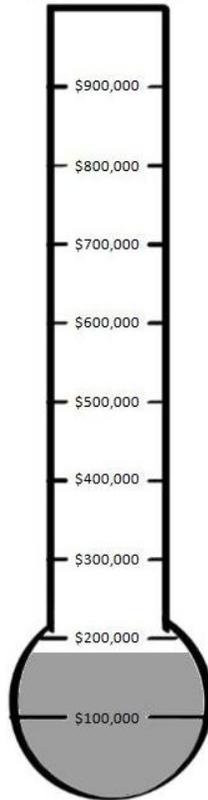
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Scholarship/Building Campaign Update – November 15, 2013

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\$2,500,000



*Campaign Goal*

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We thank everyone that has participated to date!

We encourage all parents to participate in these two campaigns by placing your personal ad, by making a pledge to the building campaign and by soliciting ads/pledges from friends, families and business acquaintances. Personal or solicited ads/pledges will be applied to your give or get obligation. Anyone who donates or raises \$1,000 in paid ads/pledges will receive two complimentary tickets to the dinner. We look forward to having all our parents and friends attend the Dinner Sunday January 5th at the tree top ballroom at Jungle Island.

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