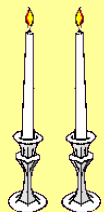


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TEAM SPIRIT

STAR STUDENTS

Dovid Alber – T.S.
Menachem Bloom – T.S. & S.S.
Yehuda Bloom – T.S. & S.S.
Nataniel El-Gad – S.S.
Asher Greenberg – T.S.
Sammy Jacobs – S.S.
Dan Leonoff – T.S.
Daniel Pineda – S.S.
Dovi Schwartz – S.S.
Reuven Shaffren – T.S.
Yitzy Siegel – T.S.
Zachary Verbitsky – S.S.
Yosef Zaig – T.S.

Racheli Bernstein – S.S.
Tzivia Ahava Botton – S.S.
Pesha Dreyfuss – S.S.
Adiel Elkayam – T.S.
Meitalia Factor – S.S.
Elly Feldman – T.S.
Esther Goodman – T.S. & S.S.
Bryna Groffman – S.S.
Noa Gutfreund – T.S.
Yael Kanoff – T.S.
Batel Levi – S.S.
Chaya Mann – T.S.
Gitty Rubin – S.S.

Ella Siev – S.S.
Shira Suissa – T.S.
Abigail Tangir – S.S.

TEAM PLAYERS

Daniel Akrish
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Yossi Druin
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Adina Kon
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Lia Sedaghati
Ahuva Seinfeld
Esther Shaffren

Ella Siev
Racheli Sova
Shira Suissa
Tamara Yeshurun

Please see attached Dinner/Journal Update

PARSHA QUIZ

Last week's question:

In what 3 places in this Parsha does the number 5 come up?

Last week's answer:

- 1) *יֹסֵף* tells his brothers there will be 5 more years of famine (ו, מה)
- 2) *יֹסֵף* sends בנימין with 5 suits (כב, מה)
- 3) *יֹסֵף* brings 5 of his brothers to meet פרעה (ב, מז)

This week's question:

Which four brothers are mentioned in the same פסוק?



READY, SETSMILE!

This coming Wednesday, December 18, we will be taking a school-wide photo. Please send students to school in their official school uniforms on Wednesday.



AWARE & ALERT = SAFE & SECURE!

During the 'holiday' season, there is a heightened concern of car break-ins in and around the school. Make sure your car interiors have no visible bags that can be seen from the outside, and make sure to lock your doors. Parents who stop at school and leave their cars, 'just for a minute' may be especially vulnerable. If you see any unfamiliar person who looks overly interested in the surroundings and/or parked/stopped cars, report immediately to one of the offices or the security officer. Thank you.



MISHNAYOS PROGRAM



Our Mishnayos program is off to a great start as the 3B, 4B and 5B participants are busy filling in their charts with many new Mishnayos. Yasher Koach!

YEDIOS HATORAH 5774



Our students received their *Chodesh Teves* packets this week and are already diligently studying in preparation for their second testing date. We are so proud of our many *Mumchim, Bekiim, and Lomdim!*

KIDS FOR KOSHER FOOD BANK



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 December, the specific items requested are kids cereal, canned veggies, Shabbat candles, coffee, and rice. *Yasher Koach!*

רפואה שלמה

Chaim Yosef ben Rus
Tinok ben Dina
Yaakov ben Rachel
Galit bas Ruma
Mina Yehudis bas Masouda
Aharon Dovid ben Chaya
Esther bas Chaya Sara
Yitzchok Shmuel ben Pesha Sara
Yitzchok Reuven ben Malka
Tzvi Zelig ben Chasya Rochel
Rivka bas Minnie
Dovid ben Rochel
Dovid Tzvi Aharon ben Alte Rochel
Refael Elisha Meir ben Devorah





Erev Shabbos Parashas Vayechi 5774

Dear Parents,

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In Western culture, the idea of manhood provokes thoughts of ruggedness, strength, leadership-- someone unemotional, but powerful. The notion of a man is of one who is self-assured, decisive and independent. What typical man ever asks for **directions...? It is therefore very relevant to investigate what is the *Torah's* image of a "man".**

In the *Haftora* for this week, which is the *2nd Perek of Melachim Aleph*, *Dovid HaMelech* is on his deathbed (hence the **connection to this week's Parsha**) and is exhorting his son *Shlomo*, the future king, to **"be strong, and become a man."** (*V'Chazakta VeHayisa L'Ish – Melachim I 2:2*) The *Ralbag*, in his commentary explains what it means to **"become a man."** He explains that *Dovid* is telling *Shlomo* not to act like an adolescent but rather like a mature adult. What is that line of demarcation between an immature youth and a wise older person? The *Ralbag* says it is **"seeking counsel."** How counterintuitive! Asking for advice may conjure up an image of indecisiveness, hesitancy and even a lack of confidence. It is **quite the opposite of the modern image of "manliness."**

This is a window into the Torah's concept of what an adult should look like, and here specifically, how the King of the Jewish People should conduct himself. Seek advice, don't just act independently. Consult with those greater than you and bounce ideas off of even those smaller than you.

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Asking *sheilos*, **consulting with friends and mentors do not diminish one's 'bigness', on the contrary, they are the very essence of an adult Torah personality.** Someone who is truly **'manlike' is confident enough and wise enough to "network" and seek out the wisdom and guidance that will help him accomplish his goals.**

How do we inculcate this notion within our children? As with other approaches to life – the greatest impact is the model the parents present to their children. Do we form our ideas and act on them based only on our own feelings and perceptions? When an issue arises that evokes strong emotions – are we smart enough to seek an unbiased opinion from a trusted friend or confidant, or perhaps an expert or someone with experience in this area, or do we plow ahead with what our feelings of the moment push us to do? Do our children hear the words come out **of our lips: "I'll have to ask the Rav for a Psak," "Let me consult with my chevrusa – he's a very wise fellow." "I need to contact my Rosh Yeshiva – this is a very important decision."**

Closer to home, when a seemingly intractable issue arises with a child, do we offer to go to a trusted *Rebbi* or *Mechanech* to discuss our concerns? When reflecting upon a school issue in **our child's life that to our child seems unfair** – do we jump to condemn, or do we help our child see the possibility of another point of view. Are decisions made after due deliberation, or is a **snap decision made and then we find our ego doesn't allow us to reconsider our decision,** despite mounting evidence to the contrary.

The hallmark of youthfulness is being impetuous – doing things with too little forethought **before acting. The hallmark of adulthood is giving thought to one's actions, and that was the core of Dovid's advice to the crown prince.**

Best wishes for a wonderfully thoughtful *Shabbos* with all our princes and princesses!


Rabbi Kalman Baumann



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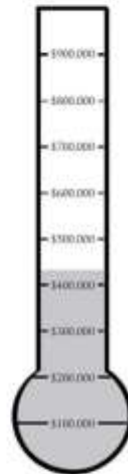
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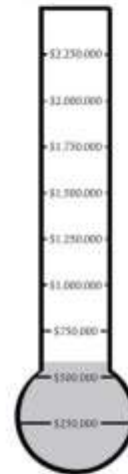
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\$532,500

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 our Dinner, Sunday January 5th at the Treetop Ballroom at Jungle Island.

Have a great Shabbos!

*We would like to thank the following people who have already contributed to our
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