

# Early Childhood Newsletter

Yeshiva Toras Chaim Toras Emes

Parashas Bamidbar

May 23, 2014 כג אייר תשע"ד  
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YESHIVA TORAS CHAIM TORAS EMES PRESENTS

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10TH ANNUAL CHINESE AUCTION  
THIS SUNDAY!!!  
YTCTE  
10th Annual  
Chinese Auction  
Sunday, May 25

MC Nachum Segal

6:30 Doors Open  
7:00- 8:15 Hot Fleishig Buffet  
8:15 Alumni Presentation  
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9:30 Drawing

Beit David Highland Lakes Shul  
2600 NE 209th Street  
Aventura, FL 33180

## KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION

KII & KIV

Wednesday, June 11  
10:30 a.m.

KI & KIII

Thursday, June 12  
10:30 a.m.



## TZAISCHEM L'SHALOM

Morah Zelda Zemel who was the Pre-School music teacher for twenty-eight years. May she have much hatzlacha in her new endeavors.

## MAZEL TOV:

Mr. Tzvi and Leah Bedziner on the marriage of their son Benjy to Sari Gartner

Rabbi Asher and Amy Suissa on the birth of a son

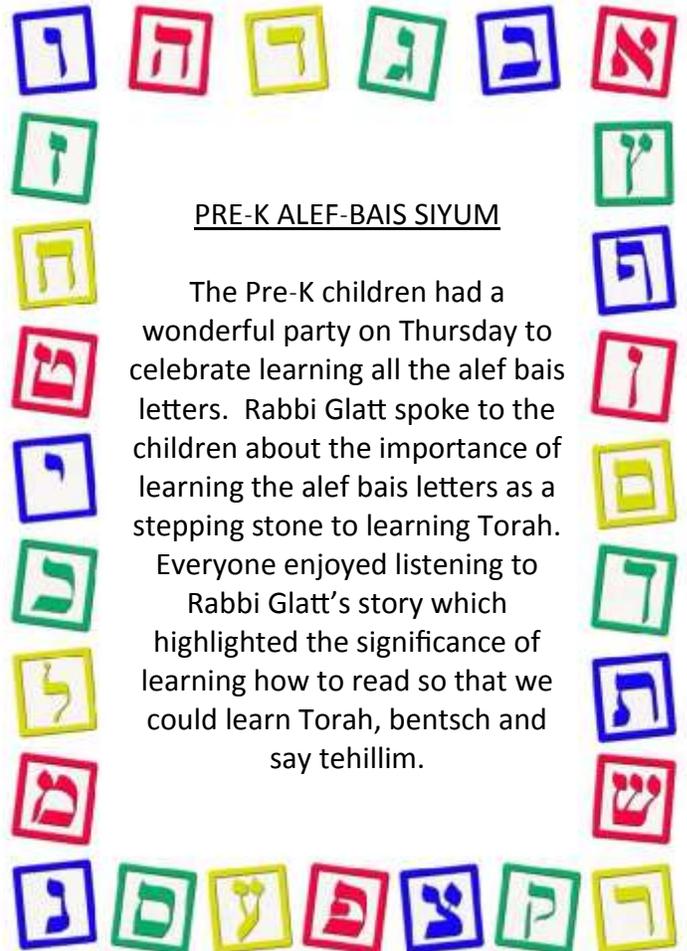
## THANK YOU

Mrs. Bryna Roth for designing the beautiful invitations for the Kindergarten Graduation.

## PRE-K ALEF-BAIS SIYUM

The Pre-K children had a wonderful party on Thursday to celebrate learning all the alef bais letters. Rabbi Glatt spoke to the children about the importance of learning the alef bais letters as a stepping stone to learning Torah.

Everyone enjoyed listening to Rabbi Glatt's story which highlighted the significance of learning how to read so that we could learn Torah, bentsch and say tehillim.



## NURSERY – MORAH TAMI

The yeladim enjoyed counting the days on our Sefiras HaOmer chart to see when Shavuot is coming. We talked about Matan Torah, and learned how Hashem asked the other nations of the world if they wanted the Torah. Every nation of the world rejected the Torah except for B'nei Yisroel, who responded with the words "Naaseh V'Nishma." We also learned how Har Sinai was selected to be the mountain on which the Torah would be given. We sang the song "On Top Of Har Sinai."

Mr. Bais and Vais came to school to visit our class this week. We learned the Hebrew words:

בית  
ברבז  
בלון  
בננה  
בובה

We had lots of fun making a booklet featuring the letters bais and vais. The mitzvah of Bikur Cholim was taught for the letter bais. We also learned that it is important for us not to be baalei ga'avah.

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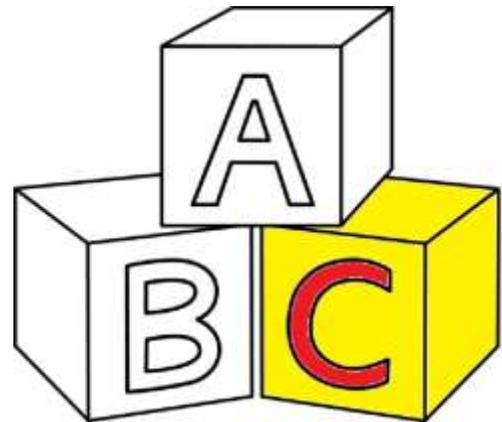
## NURSERY – MORAH SUSAN

What an exciting week we had working on pre-reading skills. The children learned to recognize the letter "Cc" and pasted cars on construction paper. They were able to identify several words that start with the letter "Cc".

We reviewed the concept of opposite word sets, played an opposite matching word game and also reviewed rhyming words.

At the art center, the children practiced their scissor skills. The class colored, cut and pasted together their own creations. They drew happy and sad faces on a paper plate.

At our music and rhythm center, the children danced as they listened to the CD "Good Morning" by Bev Bos. The class really enjoyed listening to these songs and following all of the directions on the CD!



PRE-KI & II MOROT HEIDI & NECHAMA

On Monday, we celebrated Lag Ba'Omer in the playground. The children had a lot of fun playing with a parachute and "roasting" marshmallows over a pretend bon fire while singing songs about Rabbi Shimon Bar Yochai.

This week's Parsha is Bamidbar. The children learned how Moshe counted the men of Bnei Yisroel and how the nesim' helped him do the counting. We discussed how the Bnei Yisroel were divided into three camps in the midbar. The children were interested to know that each tribe had its own special degel.

Our Hebrew letter this week was sin. Some new vocabulary words that we learned were:

שמלה  
שה  
שדה  
שערות.  
שמאל  
שמח



PRE-KI & II- MORAH JUDY

This week, the Pre-K children did a fabulous job with their "Around The World" performances. We are all so proud of them.

Our letter of the week was the letter "Yy". The children sounded out many words that begin with the letter "Yy" such as yak, yes, yesterday and of course our friends Yaakov, Yeshaya, Yirmi, Yonah and Yosef.

This week, Mr. Schwartz, Leora's father, came to share his talent with our class. He is a drummer and he demonstrated how the drums vibrate. The children were so excited to see him play the drums.

The Pre-K children have been working on completing their journals. They are filled with stories of their Pre-K adventures this year.

Some of our favorite books that we listened to this week were Yesterday I Lost a Sneaker by David McPhail and Yo Yes by Chris Raschka (A Caldecott Honor Book). Of course, our favorite book this week was Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten by Joseph Slate.



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

As we continue to count the days of the Omer, we realized that we are coming closer to the Yom Tov of Chag HaShavuot. We acted out the famous midrash of how Hashem chose Har Sinai as the mountain on which the Torah would be given. We began working on a choveret for Shavuot.

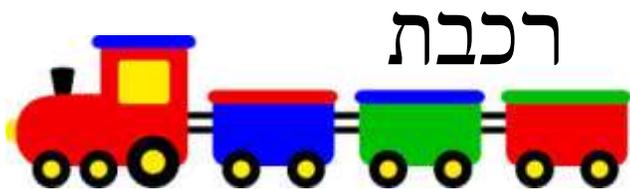
The letter ר was introduced this week. Some of the words that we know that begin with this letter are:

רעשן  
רגל  
ראש השנה  
רכבת  
רמון

We are becoming Aleph-Bais experts.

For Parashas Bamidbar, we discussed the division of the shevatim into their own camps. In blocks, the children depicted this by preparing different camping areas.

We are practicing our graduation parts and songs. We are looking forward to performing on Graduation Day! We know you will be thrilled!



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

We were so busy with all of our activities that we decided to hold over the letters "Xx" and "Yy" for another week. We reviewed the rule that "Yy" acts as both a consonant and a vowel, and had fun playing "Tic, Tac, Toe." We made a long list on the board of words that have a "Yy" at the end which acts like a vowel. After examining our words, the children discovered that in all the words that have one syllable (cry, fly, my), the letter "Yy" makes the sound of the long "Ii". In all of our words that have two syllables, (pony, happy, silly) the letter "Yy" at the end sounds like the long "Ee".

In honor of the letter "Yy" as a consonant, we talked about things that are yellow and the concepts of yesterday and a year. We talked about things that come once a year like our birthdays. We also talking about some of the things that we learned this year.

We have been very busy reviewing our math concepts this week. We worked on recognizing the numbers one through thirty, simple addition and subtraction equations and the terms greater than and less than.

To round out our week, we made time for journal writing, story time, centers and graduation practice. Can you believe that it is almost graduation? Please practice your child's part at home with him/her, emphasizing that it should be said slowly and loudly.





Dear Parents,

We began our week with a very special event in the lives of our children – the visit of *the Rishon L'Tzion, Chacham HaRav Yitzchak Yosef, Shlita*, to our Yeshiva. Anytime one is in the presence of a great *Gaon* and *Tzaddik* the opportunity to bring greater *Bracha*, blessings, into one's life is enhanced. All of us, adults and children alike, sensed the extra *Bracha* that the *Rav* brought to us, and we were inspired.

Beyond blessings verbally expressed by a *Tzaddik*, there is another dimension of *Bracha*, which is illustrated by the following story. One afternoon, a *Rebbi in Yeshiva Kol Torah in Yerusholayim* informed his 'boss', the *Rosh HaYeshiva Rav Shlomo Zalman Auerbach zt'l*, that he needed to leave a bit early to check out an apartment his family was planning on moving into. *Rav Auerbach* insisted on coming along. When they arrived, *Rav Auerbach* inquired about each room and what it would be used for. The *Rebbi* was astounded that the *Rosh HaYeshiva*, to whom every moment was precious, took so much time and was so concerned about the apartment. He finally asked *Rav Auerbach*: Why did the *Rosh Yeshiva* insist on coming with me? *Rav Auerbach* answered with his inimitable smile – "I wanted to place an *Ayin Tova* (lit. – good eye) on your home." (Reflections of the Maggid pps. 86-89)

We see this idea from *Moshe Rabbeinu* in this week's *Parsha*. When conducting the census of the Jewish People, the *Ramban (Bamidbar 1:45)* describes how *Moshe & Aharon* greeted and counted every person individually, rather than just getting a headcount from the head of the family. One reason for this seemingly cumbersome and time-consuming method, says the *Ramban*, is *Ki Yaseemu Aleihem Aynam L'Tova – in order that they place their eyes upon them for good*. For a *tzadik* to gaze with favor upon a person or place is to bestow blessing.

We all know of *Ayin Hora*, and how potentially destructive looking upon others' good fortune with jealousy can be. But how many of us know of *Ayin Tova*, of looking for the good, on only wishing good for others? Chazal tell us it is easier to go to a *Shiva* house and feel genuine compassion for mourners' misfortune, than to go to a wedding and feel sincere joy for the *Baalei Simcha* (celebrants) when we have pangs of envy in our hearts.

If only we can be aware of, and help inculcate in our children the concept of *Ayin Tova* and bring it alive— how to look upon others and their good fortune and feel the desire to send waves of blessing upon them.

While we desire and appreciate basking in the presence of the greatest of our people, our true growth in *Avodas Hashem*, in being a growing, faithful Jew, is to work on ourselves and our children. If only we can see the good and use those same eyes that see good, to be the conduit for blessing to be visited upon all those around us. One does not need to be a recognized *tzaddik*, to practice a bit of *tzidkus* (righteousness) in his or her life. May we take inspiration from *Chacham Harav Yosef's* presence and put it into practice in our own lives.

With best wishes for a Shabbos of Blessing,

Rabbi Kalman Baumann

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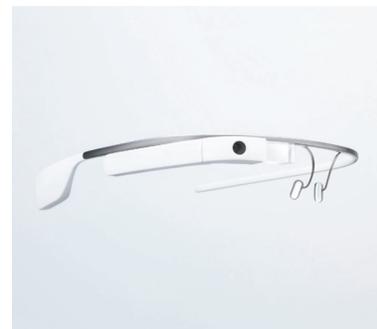


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