

THE
WEEK
IN
WORDS



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CHILDHOOD



October 28, 2016
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פרשת בראשית

LICE CHECK

Lice check will be conducted throughout the school on Monday October 31st

Some important suggestions:

Pre-check your child (and treat if necessary) to be more assured of receiving clearance.

Clean hair is easier to check. Please shampoo before the check.



MAZEL TOV!

Rabbi David and Malka Golowinski on the birth of a grandson, born to their children, Miriam and Fischel Litzman.



The second session of After School clubs will be starting on November 21.

The registration link will e-mailed out next week.



Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Wednesday, November 16 & Wednesday, November 23. Stay tuned for information to sign up!

****NEW THIS YEAR**

All teachers will be available to meet on both scheduled nights.



Principal
Rabbi Kalman Baumann

Director
Mrs. Talia Levine

Erev Shabbos Parashas Bereishis 5777

Dear Parents,

The return to school and regular routines and schedules is a relief for most parents, but for many the feelings are mixed with more than a tad of concern that with the challenges of school and its demands, areas of struggle for their children will once again come to the fore.

All children (and adults) have areas of life that are hard for them. For some, they struggle with punctuality, others have academic weaknesses. Some have trouble concentrating, others find it hard to follow rules. Some have difficulty making friends, others can't seem to get themselves or their things organized. Some have issues with their weight, others have difficulty with honesty. Some are not well coordinated and therefore recess is less than a welcome time of day, others possess an active inner mechanism that makes sitting for extended periods of time extremely challenging.

It would be a grave error on our part to assume that our children are not deeply bothered by their own struggles. We tend to misinterpret lack of appropriate (in our minds) performance with laziness, lack of caring or chutzpah. Our obligation is to delve deeper into the (root) causes of their difficulties. A well-known child expert, Dr. Ross Greene, put it very well: "If they could, they would."

Our children want to do well, even more than we want for them. If they're not up to par in a certain area – there's a reason and with patience, love and understanding – a parent can get to the bottom of it, and more importantly – do something to help the situation. There is obviously much to be said on this topic – it is 98% of parenting!

I would like to share one little anecdote, brought by *Rav Yechiel Yaakovson, Shlita*, in his *sefer* on *Chinuch; Al Techetu BaYeled* (p.166). He is discussing the value of a small gift, that a parent gives to his child unexpectedly, and not in exchange for some pre-arranged objective or goal.

An adult, at the *Shiva* for his own mother, reminisces about her love and caring. He was a child who was consistently late. His parents knew it, his teachers knew it, his friends knew it and he knew it. It was a source of constant trouble from teachers and ridicule from friends. He was miserable about it until one day, he decided that he was going to do something about it. He pushed himself as hard as he could, and for two weeks, he was always on time. Then it happened. He was late once again, and experienced anew all the criticism and ridicule that was so painful to him. He realized he was just a loser – he couldn't help himself. The next day he tried anyway, and was on time. However, he convinced himself that it was only temporary – he was after all – not a person really capable of being punctual. That night, he had trouble falling asleep, feeling all alone and dejected. As he adjusted his pillow, he felt something hard. To his great surprise, it was a small chocolate bar, with a note attached to it. The note read: "To my *Gibor* (strong one), I love you very much. (signed) Ima." The person continued – I was not alone. My mother was with me, even though I didn't realize it. I cried the entire night, but I got up in the morning and I was on time. I continued the struggle. And I succeeded.

The power of a small, unexpected gift – that sends waves of love, encouragement and strength.

Have a wonderful Shabbos,

Rabbi Kalman Baumann



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Registration opens
for current families
on November 7th.

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- Meet our Director
Mrs. Talia Levine
- Learn about our program
- Guided tours with
parent ambassadors
- And of course some light
refreshments and fun

**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 6
8:00 PM**

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Reserve your spot today!

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