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Friday

October 25, 2019
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Picture Day

We will be taking individual and class portraits on Thursday October 31. Official uniform is required.

מזל טוב

To Mr. and Mrs. Abey Cohen and family upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, our alumnus, Daniel.

To Rabbi and Mrs. Chaim Shmuel Blinder and family on the birth of a boy. Special Mazel Tov to the Grandparents, our Rosh HaYeshiva, Rabbi and Mrs. Mordechai Palgon.

To Mr. and Mrs. Shlomo Slatos and family on the birth of a boy.

To Rabbi and Mrs. Raphael Strassfeld on the birth of a girl.

To Rabbi and Mrs. Eleazar Durden on the birth of a grandson.

To our Rosh HaYeshiva, Rabbi and Mrs. Binyomin Luban on the birth of a grandson born to their son, our alumnus, Avraham.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lenny Yudkowitz on the birth of a great grandson.

Lice Check

We will be conducting our post-Sukkos Lice Check on Monday October 28th. In preparation, please wash hair thoroughly and check at home.

Hasmoda/Chemda

Please have your child bring in the completed Hasmoda/Chemda packet.

ניחום אבלים

To Mrs. Jayme Benmeleh and family on the loss of her father.

To Mr. Zalmy Cohen and family on the loss of his mother.

Mr. Cohen is sitting Shiva at his home 1020 NE 178th Terrace through Monday morning.

רפואה שלימה

Chana bas Shani

Bentzion ben Nomi Rachel Margalit
Avigail Bracha bas Rivka

Leora Rochel bas Chaya Raizel

Yochanan Baruch ben Fruma Etta
Mina Yehudis bas Marsoudi Marsel
Nechama Aidel Malka bas Sara Leah

Ezra Chaim ben Rivka

Binyamin Simcha ben Adina Minya

Raiselle bas Pessel

Yosef Binyamin ben Kochava

Fradel Rivka bas Chana

Daniel ben Miriam



Dear Parents,

Erev Shabbos Parashas Bereishis 5780

Remember the old adage “sticks and stones may break my bones but words will never hurt me?” It’s been a long time since that has been discredited, but the centrality of words and speech in our lives is still greatly underestimated. We live in a world of action, and don’t give proper respect to the power of speech.

At the very creation of man, as seen in this week’s *Parasha*, the distinguishing characteristic between mankind and the rest of the animal world was the *Nishmas Chayim* that *Hashem* implanted in man. The *Pasuk* (*Bereishis* 2:7) concludes that man became a “*Nefesh Chaya*”, which *Targum Onkelos* famously explains as a “*Ruach Memalela*” “*a speaking spirit*.” The feature that most strikingly demarcates man from animal is man’s power of speech.

Rabbi Chaim Friedlander zt’l, in *Sefer Mesillas Chaim B’Chinuch* (p. 62) points out that based upon *Onkelos’* explanation, speech is the essential component of man’s *Nefesh*, of his spirit. It then follows that improper speech is a reflection of an imperfection in a person’s spiritual essence. In fact, *Rav Friedlander* references a *Gemara* in the beginning of *Maseches Pesachim* that speaks of man’s obligation to speak in “*Loshon Nekiah*” – language that is clean and pure, and refined.

Rav Friedlander then declares how important it is to insist upon proper speech from children. Even if their speech does not include “dirty words,” it is important that their words reflect the *Torah* and *Tefilla* that they speak regularly and not be tainted by “street words,” even if they are not technically “foul language”. Our children must be held to a higher standard, because the words they use will help shape the people they become.

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The story is told of *Rav Shmuel Salant zt’l* who heard the shrill voice of his young daughter yelling nasty words inside their house. When he confronted her she related that a cat had entered their living room and she was trying to get him out, concluding, “it was only a cat.” Her father acknowledged that the object of her tirade might have been a cat, “but it was your mouth...”

Children have a tendency, *Rav Friedlander* explains, to experiment with words they suspect are improper because it creates a self-image of a “tough guy”, saying words that their peers are not “brave” enough to utter. It may, to some extent in the child’s mind, define who he is. This is why it is so important to decisively stop our children from speaking in such a manner.

Refined, elevated speech is not confined to children. As in all circumstances where children are exploring the world around them to figure out their own path, the words they hear from adults, and most importantly their parents, are paramount. *Rav Friedlander* says “it goes without saying that we adults have to exercise great control over our words, as children absorb the words heard in their home, and internalize them to their own speech.”

In school, we have strict rules about the use of foul language, treating it in a manner similar to acting physically aggressive towards others. We let the children know that their mouth, lips and tongue are the tools they use to speak with *Hashem*, learn *Torah* and do *Mitzvos*. Just as a craftsman would not dull a delicate instrument by using it to dig a hole in the ground, so too must the children’s mouths remain sharp and powerful to fulfill their roles as *Bnei* and *Bnos Torah*. When speaking harshly and inappropriately and especially indecently, they are ruining their tools and dulling their power

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Our children can grasp this idea! And yes, they do look to the adults to see if we are serious about the power of speech. Let us all redouble our resolve to use this precious gift that sets us apart from the animal kingdom to elevate ourselves and everyone around us, especially our precious children.

Best wishes for a wonderful *Shabbos*,



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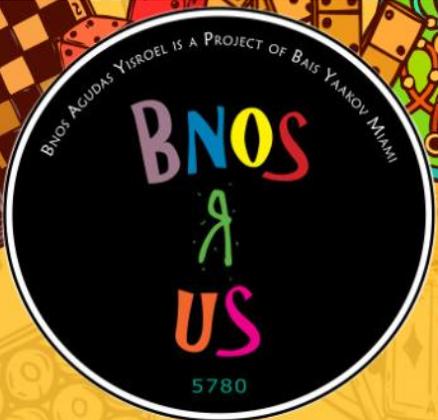
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