

THE
WEEK
IN
WORDS



June 11, 2021

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א' תמוז תשפ"א

פרשת קרח

Calendar Reminders

Thursday, June 17

Last Day of School

Dismissal at 1:00 PM

Aftercare (for those signed up) until 1:30 PM

MAZEL TOV

Mr. Jack and Calanit Cohen on the birth of a
daughter

Mr. Yitz and Mor Taub on the birth of daughter

YAHADUS EXPERIENCE

This year with your children was as special as could be,
We've learned so much together I'm sure you will agree.

Each week brought surprises and something new,
And with the hands-on experiences their Yahadus grew.

Though this year's program has just about finished,
The importance of your child's Torah learning will never diminish.

May each of your children continue to thrive,
Keeping their thirst for Torah and Mitzvos fiercely alive!
Wishing you continued Nachas from your precious gem,
Next year in Yerushalayim, we pray to Hashem!

From the desk of Rabbi Baumann

Principal: Rabbi Kalman Baumann Director: Mrs. Talia Levine



PEACE NOW, AND FOREVER

Dear Parents,

Children flourish in an atmosphere of peace and stability. With a limited understanding of and experience with the world around them, they react to strife and controversy similar to the way we react to sudden turbulence on an airplane. We don't really understand or think much about how a two hundred ton metal behemoth can fly through the air, but when it starts shaking, we start panicking. When children are surrounded by fighting and anger, even though they are not directly involved, their world is shaking and they suffer greatly.

A metaphor of sorts for this can be found in a *Medrash* on this week's *Parsha*. (*Bamidbar Rabbah 18:4*) The *Medrash*, in referring to the devastating punishment Hashem meted out to *Korach* and his followers, says: "*Rabi Berachia says – how difficult is controversy, because the Heavenly Tribunal only extracts punishment from those twenty years and older, the Earthly courts only from the age of thirteen and up, but in the Machlokes (controversy) of Korach, even one day old infants were consumed and swallowed up. Hashem never allows punishment to be brought upon a person unless he has the maturity to be responsible for his own misdeeds. Never, except in a machlokes.*"

Children suffer doubly from strife and contentiousness in their family. They are the unintended victims of domestic strife, as their world loses its moorings amidst the shouts, anger and bitterness that envelops their day to day life. Furthermore, as *Rav Chaim Shmuelevitz zt'l* is paraphrased as saying; (*Al Pi Darko p. 228*) - *when children have parents who don't go out of their way for peace, they are more likely to become contentious adults themselves.*

Machlokes is a force that destroys like nothing else can. It destroys families, it can devastate shuls, yeshivos and entire communities. We only lost the *Beis Hamikdash* because of *machlokes* and *Sinas Chinam (baseless hatred)*. On the opposite side of *Machlokes* is *Shalom*. Peace is the greatest gift, because all blessing flourishes only in an atmosphere of *Shalom*.

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Arguments and strife don't just happen. In a moment of frustration and disappointment every person has a choice. They can accept the difficulties and be gracious and forgiving. Or, they can choose to fight and go to battle. Parents especially need to think long and hard about the costs and risks of choosing the path of *machlokes*. We all have a tendency to think that we are fighting for a higher purpose and are acting objectively and *L'Shem Shomayim (for the sake of Heaven)*. If we are able to realize that in almost all

cases we are in fact acting out of self-interest and self-promotion, we may be able to put a brake on our behavior.

Stopping a pattern of endless fights and arguments is certainly not easy. It may require outside intervention. It certainly requires the very painful process of introspection and concluding you have been at least somewhat misguided in your behavior and attitude. However, when you balance that with the limitless benefits to your family and children of bringing peace and harmony to your home, you will gain a powerful motivator to attempt the task.

For the enhancement of peace and harmony in your life today, coupled with a positive impact on generations to come, our efforts, thoughts and *mesiras nefesh* can be directed to no more important an endeavor than promoting understanding, respect and calm throughout our home and relationships.

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May we all be blessed with a Shabbos and week of peace and harmony.

Rabbi Kalman Baumann

JuNIOr Pre-K PRESSs

MOROT LINDSAY, NAOMI & RINA

Wow, this week was our last full week of Junior Pre K and we were very busy! As a culmination of our unit on Eretz Yisroel, we experienced going to our very own Shuk created by the JPK and Pre K classes! The Shuk was just like the real Shuk in Yerushalayim, with a candy table, a spice table, where we created our very own spice blend, an olive tasting table and even a make your own orange juice table! We enjoyed a homemade falafel lunch with Israeli salad that we prepared for everyone! We continued our Eretz Yisroel crafts and read some great books as well. To celebrate our final Friday of the year, we had a grand Shabbos party with all the children being the Immas and Abbas! Have a good Shabbos!



PRE-K PAGES

MOROT NECHAMA, MIRIAM & MORIEL

What a fun and enriching experience it has been learning about Eretz Yisroel these past few weeks! We learned about many important Kadosh places like the Kosel, Kever Rochel and Mearas Hamachpeila. We also saw pictures and spoke about the different beautiful waters in Eretz Yisroel.

A highlight of this unit was learning about, creating and visiting our very own Shuk! Each Pre K and JPK class were in charge of preparing an activity to create an authentic Shuk where the children were able to squeeze oranges to make orange juice, taste olives, mix spices, eat "gummies" and have a quick falafel meal! They all had a great time!

Now that we have learned all of the Aleph Bais, we are focusing on reviewing our letters by playing a variety of games. We are so proud to be Aleph Bais pros!

In Parshas Korach, we learned all about the Mitzvah of Shalom. Aharon Hakohen loved Shalom and always looked for ways to help people make peace with each other. We also learned about Korach who was very jealous of Moshe and Aharon. He said bad things about them to others and they all laughed and made fun of Moshe. Moshe was very upset that they didn't believe that Hashem chose Moshe and Aharon to be the leaders of Bnei Yisroel. We learned how Hashem proved that Aharon was supposed to be the Kohen Gadol, by Aharon's stick being the only one that grew flowers.

Have a wonderful Shabbos!

MOROT ELYSE & YEHUDES

Can you believe our school year is already coming to an end? Our students have grown so much throughout this year and we are so proud of them! This week, we wrapped up our art unit by learning about our last artist; Georgia O'Keeffe. She was the only female artist that we learned about. Georgia knew that she wanted to be an artist ever since she was a little girl. She enjoyed drawing pictures of nature and painted over 200 paintings of flowers. Georgia tried to quit painting three times throughout her life, but in the end she didn't give up and became a famous artist! We also finished making our portfolios which we will use to store our artwork. We sponge painted them and used tape to write our names. After painting, we peeled the tape to reveal our name. It was really cool! We look forward to bringing all our artwork home next week!

We had our last Second Step class with Morah Shiffy this week. We continued reviewing skills that we have learned over the year by focusing on fair ways to play, inviting others to play, as well as how to properly join play. Playing together, trading, and taking turns are fair and fun ways to play. Next week, we will celebrate our learning by receiving Second Step Certificates! In addition to the Home Link being sent home this week, please look out for the parent letter in your child's bag.



KINDERGARTEN CORNER

MOROT CHAYA, DEVORAH, ESTHER, ESTY & RENA

This week was an exciting week in Kindergarten- graduation week! The children did a fantastic job singing and saying their parts. We are so proud of them!

We finished up our Shabbos unit and are spending every minute practicing and refining our Kriah skills. Please continue to complete the Kriah homework and make sure to practice, practice, practice.

We finished up the week learning Parsha and enjoying our last Shabbos party. Have a great Shabbos.

MOROT MORAL, PEARLY & RACHELI

Mazel Tov to all the Kindergarten children on their graduations! We are so proud of their wonderful performances and all of their hard work and accomplishments this year.

As the year comes to an end, we are spending a lot of time reviewing the concepts we learned in math and reading. We played different games to practice sight words, digraph letters, and magic 'e' words.

We are looking forward to our graduation trip next week! Have a good Shabbos!





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