

## TASHBAR SEPHARDIC YESHIVA KETANA

Candle Lighting: 6:44

Shabbat Ends: 7:39/8:14

September 14, 2019

פרשת כי תצא

## MESSAGE FROM THE MENAHEL



Dear Parents,

This week's Parasha opens with many mitzvot which seem to have no connection one with the other. We learn about a man who takes a wife from the battlefield of war, followed by the halacha of a man who has two wives, one who he loves and one who he hates, and continues with the law regarding the birthright of her sons. The Torah continues by talking about the *בן סורר ומורה*, the rebellious son. A few pesukim later, we learn about the mitzva of *שילוח הקן*-sending away the mother bird from its young, followed by the mitzva of building a fence on the roof of a new home, followed by the mitzva of not plowing with an ox and donkey together, and concluding with the laws of *כלאים* in a vineyard. All of these mitzvot seem to have no connection to each other and no rhyme or reason, but Chazal tell us otherwise.

Chazal says that if the man succumbs to his temptations and takes a woman in battle, he will end up despising her and she will become a hated wife who he will want to sidestep when choosing his first born son. That son will in turn become a rebellious *בן סורר ומורה*. On the other hand, the Torah teaches us that if one performs the mitzva of *שילוח הקן*, Hashem will reward them by giving them a vineyard. If one is careful to follow the laws of *כלאים* in a vineyard, Hashem will reward them with a new house upon which they can build a *מעקה*. If one fulfills the mitzva of *מעקה*, they will receive oxen and donkeys to plow their land. If one is careful not to plow their fields with an ox and donkey together, they will continue to reap great rewards as the pesukim continue to tell us. As Chazal teaches us- *מצוה גוררת מצוה ועבירה גוררת עבירה*-one mitzva brings another one, and one aveira brings another one.

The Torah is teaching us that things do not happen in a vacuum. Everything is a result of cause and effect and sometimes seemingly insignificant first steps can lead to many more steps for either the good or the bad. This lesson is extremely important for us at this time of year. As parents, we must realize that helping our children begin the school year in the best possible way, will set them up for success in so many ways throughout the school year. Getting a good night's sleep, eating a healthy breakfast and healthy snacks and foods, are some of the ways to make sure that your child gets off to a great start! Creating a night routine with a plan of how to carry out all of the evening tasks-homework (with a designated study area so your children can focus while doing their homework!), dinner, showering, relaxation time, etc, in an organized way, will enhance your child's overall feeling of stability and security. Spiritually, this is the time of year when we all take a personal accounting and introspect to find and uproot any flaws so that we can become the best possible people we can be! *מצוה גוררת מצוה ועבירה גוררת עבירה*-one small step leads to another, which leads to another, which leads to another. As long as we're on the right track, we will eventually reach our goals! Chazal guarantee it!

May we all be zoche to see tremendous nachat from our children and personal success in all our endeavors!

Ketiva V'chatima Tova!

Shabbat Shalom!

Rabbi Moshe Abady

Mazal tov to Morah Batya Elyassi on the engagement of her daughter!

Mazal tov to Rabbi Segan-Kohanim on the engagement of his daughter!

## MESSAGE FROM OUR GENERAL STUDIES DIRECTOR

### Recreational Reading

Now that school has started and your children are busy with homework, you'll notice that most teachers assign nightly recreational reading. This reading usually has no connection to what is being taught in class. So why is it a homework expectation?

Recreational reading (also called leisure reading, pleasure reading, free reading, independent reading) provides time for students to select reading material based on their own interests. It's not teacher-directed or based on a topic that they have been spending time learning in school. It is a homework assignment aimed at teaching students to learn to read for the sake of reading.

If possible, encourage your child to choose from a wide range of reading materials based on their age and skill ability. Narrative fiction, nonfiction, picture books, kosher newspapers and magazines, and graphic novels give your child a chance to explore different reading styles.

Tashbar's libraries have a wide variety of books about countless topics. The libraries will open after the Chagim. This year we will have dedicated hours for parents only – when no classes will be in the library. If you are interested in Sunday hours, please let me know. (rdmiller@tashbarsyk.com)

Being as consistent as possible with the time that your children read helps develop recreational reading as a part of their regular routine. Of course, being in a home where children regularly see their parents reading a sefer or a book, is the best way to inspire them to read and learn for the sake of reading and learning. --Rabbi David Miller



## MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR

The Rosh Hashanah feeling is in the air! The hallway bulletin boards are decorated with Rosh Hashanah decorations and with special Tefilot that our Tinokot Shel Bet Raban are asking Hashem for. Come by and check out their work!

In our Limudei Kodesh classes we learned that on Rosh Hashanah we crown Hashem as our King and we daven that Hashem gives us a year of many berachot. We learned all about the Shofar, where it comes from, the sounds we blow and why we blow it on Rosh Hashanah. Ask your child to tell you all about it!

Our Limudei Chol classes have been busy learning about apples! Apple stamping, apple tasting, apple graphing and even apple sauce making! Our Kindergarten class talked about the life cycle of an apple and then they did a 3 step sequencing activity.

What an exciting week it's been!

Looking forward to seeing you at our Back to School Night!

Morah Chaya Motamedi



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**September 15**-Project Focus

**September 18**-Preschool Back to School Night

**September 29-30**-Rosh Hashanah, No School

**October 1**-Rosh Hashanah, No School

**October 2**-Tzom Gedalia, 1:30 PM Dismissal

## PARASHA TREAT!

### GOOEY EGG CANDIES!

This week's parasha talks about the mitzvah of  
שילוח הקן

## MUSSAF READER

David Yaghoubi

## PRE1 NEWS-KODESH

Rabbi Shasho's Pre1 boys are off to a great start. We are up to the letter נ in the Aleph Bet. We know all about the letters including mitzvot associated with each letter and their Gematria. We did a hands on activity making shapes of the Aleph Bet with play dough. It was a lot of fun!

We are getting ready for Rosh Hashanah by doing lots of projects that help us learn all about it. We learned all about the Shofar-which animal it comes from and the special sounds it makes.

The boys are very excited about their Shasho Shekels and listen nicely and follow directions to earn them. Everyone is almost at one hundred shekels to get their first prize. I wish everyone a happy and healthy sweet new year.

Shabbat Shalom!!

Rabbi Shasho



## PRE1 NEWS-GENERAL STUDIES

Wow! It's always reinvigorating to begin a new year, and what a group of Pre-1 boys we have! We have already reviewed the alphabet in depth, both in letter recognition and phonemic awareness, and are beginning to write their capital and lowercase letters! They've met Larry the Lion, an undercover security guard that watches over the boys' side on Shabbat! He helps us with stories and other alphabet activities!

Our literature unit is focused on all things school and all the new feelings our newest biggest bunch must be experiencing joining the big boys' side! Henry the Mouse and Boomer the Dog have helped us navigate all of the new situations!

We are matching and sorting through shapes, patterns, and colors in Singapore math. Through it all, the boys are learning to express mathematical ideas in complete sentences. They are also doing cut and glue projects which require them to use multiple skills to demonstrate their mastery of the early lessons! We are so happy to have such a wonderful group!

Shabbat Shalom!

Mr. Sullivan



## LUNCH MENU

**Monday**-Baked ziti, salad

**Tuesday**-Roast chicken, rice with tomato sauce, salad

**Wednesday**-Chicken burgers, roasted potatoes, salad

**Thursday**-Red stew, white rice, salad

**Friday**-Pizza, salad



## MESSAGE FROM OUR PTA

What a great start we've already had to the school year! Thank you to Diane Kuraev, Leah Moallim, Miriam Shimoni, Yael Moeinzadeh, Sara Ben-Eliyahu and her daughter that stayed late in the lunchroom the night before school started to arrange our beautiful balloon arches that were displayed on both campuses. Thank you to Mr. Eddie Asaf and Mr. Daniel David (and Diane too!) who came to the school early to make sure our balloon arches were ready and standing for our students. Thank you Mr. Asaf for created our new PTA logo.

Thank you to all the ladies who volunteered their time to being Room Mothers, led by the amazing Rachel Saadat.

A big thank you to Debbie Ghanem who, on her own from scratch, put together creative personalized name plates for every member of the staff and distributed them during the beginning of the year teacher's meetings. Thank you Laleh Masjedi who provided refreshments and snacks for our teachers to enjoy throughout the day during their in-service meetings.

Mazal Tov to the Nourollah and Cavalier families on the birth of their new baby! We hope you enjoyed our PTA baby gift box and we look forward to giving out many more. Thank you so much to Miriam Hadjyan who arranged the adorable gift boxes from start to finish with such enthusiasm!

Thank you Tallie Nourollah & Chana Youkhehpaz for donating brand new CD players to our preschool classrooms.

Thank you to Rabbi Abady & Mrs. Murik for your countless hours of support and guidance to be able to start this year off on the right foot.

**We would like to invite all Tashbar mothers to our 1st PTA meeting, which will be held lyH Tuesday, September 24th at 8:00pm. We are looking forward to seeing you all there.**

Mrs. Sara David

Mrs. Aviva Asaf

**PTAashbar**



## THIS WEEK IN PICTURES...



**Back to School Night!**

**Oneg Shabbat!**

