# **TASHBAR SEPHARDIC YESHIVA KETANA**

Candle Lighting: 6:34

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September 21, 2019 פרשת כי תבוא

## **MESSAGE FROM THE MENAHEL**

Dear Parents,

Now's the time for reflection. It has been a few days since the historic Project Focus event this past Sunday night. What an incredible Kiddush Hashem it was! There is no doubt that Hakadosh Baruch Hu was looking down with great nachat as he saw the thousands from our community unite to refocus on focusing and protecting our homes. Technology, the internet, and smartphones, caught our generation of parents by surprise. We were all enamored by the allure, the excitement, and the potential that technology possesses. And, by and large, we embraced it, without always making sure the right protections were in place for our homes and for our own עבודת ה'. An event like this allows us to stop the proverbial snowball in its tracks, and reassess where we are and how we got here.

As Rav Wachsman, shlita, reminded us, we are first and foremost נשמות. We must not throw in the towel and give up saying "this is where the world is going, there's no way to stop it." No, we are עם עם. We have faced far more formidable challenges over thousands of years. We have "stared them down", survived, and thrived.

Technology is not disappearing. And, at Tashbar, we are preparing our students for a world filled with technology. With computer classes which teach coding as early as 5<sup>th</sup> grade, and a comprehensive STEM program created by CIJE, we are giving our students the foundation of skills which they will need to succeed in the next generation. But, we are dedicated to protecting those same students' pure and holy נשמות -introducing technology, but in a responsible way that won't compromise our values. And, we are succeeding. With the enthusiastic, overwhelming support of our parent body, we have been united in pushing back and allowing our children to experience a happy, joyful, meaningful childhood without drowning in the quagmire which is so seriously handicapping society at large in so many ways.

May Hakadosh Baruch Hu help us to continue to succeed in our efforts. May He continue to look down on us with great nachat. And may we all merit a בתיבה וחתימה טובה for the upcoming שנת תש"פ!

Shabbat Shalom! Rabbi Moshe Abady



## **MESSAGE FROM OUR GENERAL STUDIES DIRECTOR**

#### Math is a PROCESS

#### It's not just finding the right answer!

### Making mistakes and trying to figure things out is an essential part of learning math. Children learn

#### life-long problem-solving skills when they really "do" math.

How <u>you</u> respond when your child makes an error can send the message that math is a *process* and that success comes not only from the getting the right answer, but more importantly, from *effort*. Learning any skill well helps us apply what we learned to similar problems in different situations.

What can parents do to acknowledge their child's effort and normalize mistakes? Try these techniques that teachers use when teaching math.

• Make comments like:

"I like that you're thinking really hard about this!"

• Point out steps in the right direction.

"You're right that when you add numbers together, the answer is going to be a larger number."

• Acknowledge that you believe that your child is capable of figuring it out.

"That's not the right answer, but I'm you can figure it out."

- Never say "Try harder!" Saying "Try again" lets your child know that even when we try hard, we may not arrive at the right answer. We may arrive at the correct answer by looking for our mistakes, using a different approach, or even asking for help.
- Make sure your child knows that making mistakes means that they are "doing" math.

"It's okay that you didn't get the right answer yet because now you know why this approach isn't the best way to figure it out! I wonder if there's another way we could figure it out?"

• And... allow some struggle but avoid frustration. If you need to tell your child the correct answer, be sure to show what you did to arrive at the solution.

Embrace failure; if there were no problems there would be no solutions. -Rabbi David Miller

## **MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR**

It was so good to see so many of you at Back to School Night. I hope everyone left feeling as positive as we did! Preschool children are at an essential stage in their development and learn differently from school age children. Children learn best when the information is meaningful to them. They learn best by doing, by being active participants, experimenting, taking risks, figuring things out and making choices! We cherish the uniqueness of every child, strive to find their strengths, help them improve in areas they are weak in, and provide growth in all developmental areas.

Our Kindergarten classes learned about bees this week! They know that bees make honey and they made yummy honey cookies. They wrapped up a few cookies and delivered them to some special staff members and wished them a Shana Tova!

Shabbat Shalom! Morah Chaya Motamedi



## 1<sup>st</sup> GRADE NEWS-KODESH

Kitah Alef has been buzzing!!! We have learned all about Rosh Hashana and have even moved on to learning the halachot of Yom Kippur. In Keriya, we are working hard and have even learned some new rules. In Ketiva, we have found our way to letter Gimmel and we are doing fun tracing activities which help hone our fine motor skills as well. Somehow, we are also fitting in Parasha and the learning and fun is just non-stop, Baruch Hashem! Check back in next time to see how much we have covered in Kitah Alef. This train is moving fast!!

-Morah Batya Nourollah

## **1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE NEWS-GENERAL STUDIES**

The first graders are settling into their routine. The girls are listening to different types of literature genres and comparing them to one another. As they are beginning to read, they are learning to visualize when reading or listening to stories. In writing, the girls are learning about the writing process and practicing using capitals and periods in writing. Computers are now part of their monthly schedule and they are so excited for the time they get to practice their newly learned skills. The girls had a great time in science learning that their tongue has different areas that taste sour, sweet and salty better than other parts of their tongue. They can't wait for the next experiment!

-Mrs. Goldstein



#### LUNCH MENU

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

Tuesday-Lasagna, salad

Wednesday-Kabob, rice

Thursday-Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad

Friday-Pizza, salad

## PARASHA TREAT!

FRUIT ROLL UPS!

This week's parasha talks about the mitzva of ביכורים!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

September 29-30-Rosh Hashanah, No School

October 1-Rosh Hashanah, No School

October 2-Tzom Gedalia, 1:30 Dismissal

## THIS WEEK IN PICTURES...



Junior High Special Activities Breakout!















