

Calendar

January 28th: First semester ends - regular schedule
Fri., Feb. 18th & Mon., Feb. 21: **Presidents Weekend - No School**

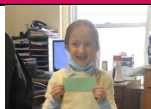
Fun, Learning & School Safety Week!



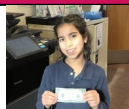
Benching Superstars!

Zecharia Akkerman	Hirshy Cohen	Michal Polatoff	Rena Vatch
Yosef Brea	Adina Herman	Yosef Shulman	Levi Yaras
Malka Burger	Sara Katz	Aliza Sloviter	Leah Yefraimov
Menachem Caro	Avigail Kosow	Shevy Sloviter	Moshe Zargary
Shira Chastain	Liba Mittel	Rachel Stein	

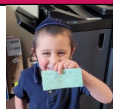
Middos Mentions!



Malka used some of her own recess time to clean the cards from a centers activity!



Aviva cleaned up the art room before anyone was asked!



Moshe cleaned up his friends' playdoh mess! Such kindness!

Thank you to...

...James Sawers for his \$200 donation and continued support of DHR!

... the Dahari family for donating Artsroll paperback Mishnayos. With our ongoing 5-8 boys' extra Mishnayos Learning Program, we truly appreciate donations of Mishnayos!



From the Principal

Mrs. Lea Goldstein

וַיֵּצֵא כָּל־הָעָם קוֹל אֶחָד וַיֹּאמְרוּ כָּל־הַדְּבָרִים אֲשֶׁר־דִּבֶּר ה' נַעֲשֶׂה:
"The entire people responded with one voice and they said, 'All the words that Hashem has spoken we will do'." (כ"ד, ג')

There is a similar pasuk in last week's parsha (י"ט, ח): "The entire people responded together and said, 'Everything that Hashem has spoken we will do!'" Moshe brought back the words of the people to Hashem."

Rashi asks: Did Moshe need to report their response to Hashem? Hashem certainly knew what they had answered! The Torah is teaching us, Rashi explains, that it is derech ertz/proper etiquette for a messenger to report back to the sender regarding the mission's outcome.

R' Dovid Leibowitz, זצ"ל, founder of the Chofetz Chaim Yeshiva system (and, by extension, TIUNY and DHR), commented: At that lofty moment, at the moment when Bnei Yisrael uttered the most important words in Jewish history, the Torah is concerned with teaching us derech ertz! And, what was the etiquette that the Torah teaches us? Not that one should take care not to harm another person, not that one should be concerned with another person's feelings (all of which are certainly important lessons), but that one should report back to the one who sent him regarding the mission's success! Something seemingly so mundane also falls within the definition of derech ertz! The lesson is even powerful given the fact that Hashem already knew the outcome of Moshe's mission.

Why did the Torah choose this moment to teach us something so seemingly insignificant? The answer, obviously, is that derech ertz is never insignificant.

There is another lesson here, R' Leibowitz continued: Many people claim that the parameters of proper etiquette depend on the times or on the sensibilities of the people involved. The Torah teaches us here that this is not so. Rather, Hashem decided what is proper derech ertz and taught us this fascinating lesson (Kuntreis Zichron Le'David: Ma'amar Derech Eretz).

Partially excerpted from: <https://torah.org/torah-portion/hamaayan-5760-mishpatim/>

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Condolences to ...

...The Noble family on the passing of Rabbi Chaim Noble, ז"ל.
"המקום ינחם אתכם בתוך שאר אבלי ציון וירושלים"

