

Derech HaTorah of Rochester The Path of Respect and Excellence

January 15th, 2021 ב' שבט, פרשת וארא, תשפ"א

HONORY

Using the New Digital Microscopes!



Girls' Kashrus Field Trip to a Factory



3rd Grade Field Trip to the Lego Brick Lab



Benching Superstars!

Menachem Caro Chana Cohen Hirshy Cohen Naomi Dahari Ruvy Dan



Mordy Mammon Sophie Nussbaum Aryeh Solomon Dovi Shulman Mottel Vogel

Middos Menchen Stars of the Week

Hirshy C. (2nd) - When Hirshy saw his teacher standing, he offered her his chair. What special Middos!

Pessi H. (2nd) - Pessi helped clean up someone else's mess without being asked.

Shlomo M. (K) - Shlomo took it upon himself to help clean the classroom while Ms. Hunt was helping a student over Zoom and his other classmates were finishing their work.

Malka S. (4/5G) - Malka is always very helpful when her teachers are having technological difficulties.

Fraida Y. (2nd) - Fraida was super helpful when she offered assistance to Mrs. Mammon to clean the library.



Calendar

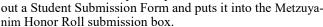
- ~ Sun. Jan. 17th: Sunday Classes for Boys (back on calendar)
- ~ Mon., Jan. 18th: Martin Luther King Day (There will be school bu no busing)
- ~ Fri., Jan. 22nd: End of First Semester
- ~ Fri.-Mon. Feb. 12-15: February Break Weekend (no school)

Metzuyanim Honor Roll Update:

We are thrilled to announce that 25 students in grades 4-8 earned a spot on this week's honor roll! We are so proud to honor and recognize our students' responsibility and academic success!

In case your children need additional clarification, here's more information:

If a student has achieved academic excellence (all grades above 80%) and has behaved in a respectful way, as befitting a DHR student, then on Friday afternoon at lunchtime, that student picks up and fills



- ~ The forms will then be compiled into a list and all applicable teachers will confirm that each student qualifies for a place on that week's Metzuyanim Honor Roll.
- ~ Students who have earned Metzuyanim Honor Roll status for four weeks (not necessarily consecutively) will qualify to participate in a very special monthly celebration/event/reward within the first few days of the next month. So, for example, if a student earned a place on the Metzuyanim Honor Roll for two weeks in January, and two weeks in February, then that student would qualify to join February's Metzuyanim Honor Roll listing and would be invited to participate in February's fabulous celebration/event/reward (which would take place during the first week of March).
- ~ Components taken into consideration for each week's eligibility include classwork, homework, participation, tests, assessments, quizzes and projects.
- ~ If a student is absent for any reason for two or more days in a week, they are not eligible for honor roll that week.
- ~ This program started last week, on Monday, January 4, so we have just completed our second week.

While some students are very intrinsically self-motivated, the purpose of this program is to introduce another dimension of motivation for the rest of our students to develop good study skills, and become more serious about learning and review. The incentive of earning a spot on the Metzuyanim Honor Roll is already encouraging students to become more diligent and responsible - and they are proud to be recognized for a job well done! Finally, our teachers will continue to differentiate for students, based on their needs, and will, of course, modify as needed, including for assessments and expectations around honor roll.

We're on a roll...be a part of it!

Thank You to...

- ~ Dr. Elisheva Flink (3rd grade trip) and Mrs. Malka Miriam Stein (6/7 Girls trip) for driving and chaperoning last week.
- ~ Mr. Mirochnick for donating 2 big boxes of fruit (apples and bananas) and 2 big boxes of Nature Valley granola bars so that our teachers and students have additional nutritious snacks.
- ~ Brighton Food Cupboard for sending over two cartons of apples from Sunscape farms, and Mrs. Miriam Polatoff for transporting them to DHR.
- ~ Mr. James Sawers for sponsoring the Rosh Chodesh treats and Rabbi Danny Goldstein for shopping!

