Derech HaTorah of Rochester The Path of Respect and Excellence

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פרשת וילך, ה' תשרי, תשע"ז

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A few important minyan updates and reminders:

- 1. We really count on every man, so if your "man" (over Bar Mitzvah) is going to miss minyan, please have him call Rabbi Roness so we can be sure that we will have a minyan.
- 2. After extensive analysis, consultation and deliberation, we have decided that, starting after Sukkos (Thursday, October 27) the 4/5 Boys will be davening with Rabbi Caro starting at 8:30am in their classroom. As a group, they will no longer be part of the minyan. However, upon the Rebbe's recommendation, if a boy is clearly mature beyond his years and able to daven properly with a minyan without his Rebbe's supervision, he will be allowed to daven with the minyan.
- 3. Minyan this Monday, Columbus Day, starts at 8:30am.

Thank you to ...

- ...The friends of Beth Garver's book club for their donation in memory of her mother, Mrs. Annette Garver. Condolences also to Tabetha Garver upon the loss of her grandmother.
- ...Chevy Mammon (DHR class of '16) and Aliza Berenstein (DHR class of '15) for volunteering at school on Wednesday, Tzom Gedalya! We love when our graduates come back to visit!
- ...Mr. Yehuda Dubitsky and Congregation Beth Haknesses Hachodosh for donating the contents of their tzedaka box to DHR!
- ...Mr. Efraim Skinner for his \$250 Rosh Hashana donation!
- ...Mr. & Mrs. Meir Hauser for their \$200 donation!
- ...Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Springut for helping us prepare for DHR's upcoming dedication of Gavi Field! Make sure to reserve Tuesday, November 1 at 12:00 so you can join us for the special event featuring VIP guests, delicious hot dogs...and a ceremonial first pitch!



Mazel tov to ...

Mazel Tov to...

...Ari & Simona Roth upon the birth of a son on Rosh Hashana! ...Mrs. Shulman's middle school girls for completing the first perek of Sefer Bamidbar!

Mrs. Lea Goldstein

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I was planning to use this space this week to write about the special brachos that we give our children on Erev Yom Kippur. I was going to reflect upon the deep, eternal connections, meanings and significance of the blessings.

However, something happened this week that I wanted to share and that could possibly inspire our parents even more than my reflec-

It was mid-morning. A child was sitting in the office waiting for her parents to call back since she was feeling ill. Another student was working in the office making up a test. Our wonderful secretary was calmly multitasking on the phone with another parent while buzzing in a guest. I was just about to leave the office on my way upstairs to visit a classroom. At that point, a young child walked in to the office and, on the verge of tears, announced that he forgot to bring his snack and lunch. In an instant, the two children sitting in the office both looked at him and said, "I have food to share". It was a beautiful, nachas-filled moment. The kind of moment that parents dream of. The light at the end of the tunnel, when parents realize that they have raised kind, thoughtful, caring children.

May all of the parents reading this be zoche to have children who are generous, kind, thoughtful and caring. May all the children reading this realize that their parents want them to have ahavas habrios and want to instill in them a desire to help others. May all of your sons be beloved, ethical brothers like Ephraim and Menashe, and all of your daughters be insightful, giving, righteous women like Sarah, Rivka, Rachel and Leah.

גמר חתימה טובה!

Reminders

...Monday, October 10, Columbus Day - No busing. Please plan to have your children at school by 8:30am to minimize disruption and loss of learning time. Also, please be sensitive to teachers who need to get home to their families and be on time for afternoon pick-up at 3:45pm. Also, reminder that DHR's minyan starts at 8:30am on Columbus Day.

...Please remember to check the microwave schedule (attached) for your children's microwave day. Also, some children are still bringing open food (which cannot go in the microwave) or food wrapped in plastic bags (which can become quite toxic when melted) to be microwaved. Please send your children's food in microwave-safe containers. Thank you!

...Please make sure to send disposable silverware for your children's lunches and/or snacks if needed. DHR does not provide cutlery.

Save the date ...

Sunday Evening, December 11, 2016 - DHR's Annual Scholarship Auction is back by popular demand - better than ever! This year, in addition to fabulous silent and live auction items and delicious treats, we'll be entertained by the Comedy-Magic of Avi Frier! According to the Hollywood Gazette: "Avi's show moves from riproaring-funny, to edge-of-your-seat-dangerous, to you'll-be-awake-all -night-trying-to-figure-out-how-he-did-that, and back again, in nothing flat."