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Grade Writing





3rd Grade Japanese Cultural Unit



Third grade had an end-of-the-unit celebration to wrap up their Japan Cultural Unit. Students were offered green tea, sticky white rice, authentic Japanese chopsticks, and made their own origami! Mrs. Stoll came in to show genuine Japanese clothing and teach Japanese words to the students.

4/5 Boys Gedolim Play

Parents and students in 3rd grade and 6th, 7th and 8th grade boys are cordially invited to attend the 4/5 Gedolim Play, "The Socks", as well as a presentation of essays and stories on Monday, January 23 from 12:15-12:45pm. Thanks to Mrs. Miriam Mammon (Library) and Rabbi Yitzchak Cohen (4/5 General Studies) for creating this opportunity for their students!

Benching Supers

Mindy Akkerman Adina Goldstein Yaakov Kozadayev Pessa London

Elisheva Mammon Sima Rennert Ahron Tzvi Tsits



From the Principal Mrs. Lea Goldstein

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Most of our students had the privilege today of witnessing a live stream of the Presidential Inauguration Ceremony.

Some were very excited and others wondered aloud why it was special enough for us to show it in school. I thought that an editorial from the <u>Times Reporter of Ohio</u> put it very nicely:

"What we cannot lose sight of as Americans, though, is the importance of Inauguration Day. Observing this extraordinary event should not be limited to the victorious party.

It is a moment of celebration not because one political party has defeated another and now will assume control of the Executive Branch, but because both parties will uphold a covenant of democracy to transfer the power of the presidency in a peaceful and orderly fashion. With the exception of the Civil War in 1861, this has been the tradition from George Washington to Barack Obama and now Donald Trump." I explained to our students that today's inauguration reinforces the strength of our democracy. As Americans, we are proud that we have a peaceful, successful transfer of power without any violence, bloodshed or coups. Therefore, it is incumbent upon us as citizens of this great country to recognize that this peaceful transition of power, as Obama said recently, is a "hallmark of our democracy" that is worth celebrat-







Torah Fair

ההרים והגבעות — MOUNTAINS



Hopefully, you now have a colorful postcard hanging up in your house to remind you about the upcoming Torah Fair! Please save the date: Wednesday, February 1 from 5:30-7:00pm at DHR! This year's theme is "ההרים והגבעות" – "Mountains" and it's going to be fabulous! Also, attached is an order form for the 8th grade boys fundraising Torah Fair dinner.

Calendar Reminders

- Reminder, no school in honor of the TIUNY Dinner Weekend, Friday, January 27 and Monday, January 30.
- Torah Fair Wednesday, February 1 from 5:30 -7:00pm at DHR.