# Derech HaTorah of Rochester The Path of Respect and Excellence

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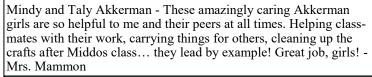
כ"ד מר חשון, פרשת חיי שרה, תשע"ט

### Presentation



The kindergartners and first graders truly enjoyed their special visit on Tuesday from Mr. Gennadiy Mirochnik, owner of ABC Aquariums. He generously offered to donate and set up a system for one of our elementary classrooms and led a spirited discussion about the benefits of classroom pets, taking care of animals, etc.. Thank you!





## Rabbi Shulman's Masmidim



# Mazel Tov to...

...Mrs. Colombo's 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls for getting a 94% average on the Civil Rights test and especially to Chaya Rennert for getting a perfect score! Congratulations!

...DHR 7th grader, Nochum Kozadayev on his becoming a bar mitz-

...the following middle school students who qualified for this month's Math homework incentive:

Tziporah Abrahamson, Rephaeli Berenstein, Ahuva Brea, Rafi Chilungu, Akiva Diskind, Simha Elmaleh, Chayala Hanson, Malka Lehrer, Devora Max, Rochel Mochkin, Yael Noble and Mussi Yaras!

# Benching Superstars!

Chaim Chastain Ahuva Katz Ariel Kuyunov Adina Goldstein Ella Nussbaum

Dovi Shulman Malka Shulman Rena Sloviter Arveh Solomon Tehila Solomon

Aron Vogel Mendel Vogel Mottel Vogel

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- Wed., Nov. 21st - Team Conferences\* - No School

\* Attached to this newsletter, you will find a Team Conference signup sheet. At DHR, our teachers truly value parental input and understand the importance of open communication. We are looking forward to sitting together as a team with each child's parents to celebrate accomplishments, evaluate progress and discuss educational needs. Keep in mind that we build the schedule on a first-come, first -served basis, so please return the completed form to the office as

# From the Principal Mrs. Lea Goldstein



On Sunday, October 28th, 2018, the 19th of Cheshvan, Derech HaTorah of Rochester welcomed its first sefer Torah. Over 200 people from across the Rochester community came out to celebrate this momentous occasion. "What a Kiddush Hashem", "it's a wonderful celebration" were some of the comments shared at our

Hachnasas Sefer Torah. The event featured a Torah Truck from NYC, music, leibidig dancing, a delicious buffet lunch, pekalach (treat bags), flags, cotton candy and a photo booth for the children - and lots of ruach!

This sefer Torah, a precious heirloom of the Stern family of Lakewood and the Kosow Family of Rochester, was rescued from Kristallnacht and the Holocaust. The tale of this very special sefer Torah is a tale of Jewish perseverance during a most trying time, and of Jews saving what they felt to be truly precious to them and clinging to the Torah as they tried to escape war-torn Europe. Mr. David Flaum and his family generously dedicated the sefer Torah in memory of his parents, who were also Holocaust survivors.

Derech HaTorah is very excited and proud to accept this precious heirloom. May its use be a constant reminder of the power of Jewish perseverance and a zechus for the neshamos of those who risked so much to save this sefer Torah.



# Thank You to...

...Mrs. Jessica Nussbaum, Mrs. Chaya Roness, Dr. & Mrs. Akkerman, Mrs. Elisheva Berenstein, Mrs. Talya Brea, Rabbi & Mrs. Caro, Mrs. Rusi Cohen, Mrs. Adina Dan, Mrs. Chaya Diskind, Mrs. Reina Elmaleh, Mrs. Tzippy Kosow, Mrs. Esther Kozadayev, Mrs. Mira Kuyunov, Mrs. Esti Lagunov and Mrs. Miriam Mammon for helping with set-up, clean-up and design for the Hachnasas Sefer Torah event! Thanks also to Brian Levitt (BRL Technology) and Al Spanjer for taking beautiful photographs!

...Rabbi Danny Goldstein and Rabbi Dov Chastain for spearheading our spectacularly successful online Sefer Torah campaign. Thanks also to all those who convinced others to contribute, as well as volunteer solicitors, Mrs. Mira Kuyunov, Adina Kaplan, Nechama London, Tzippy Max, Elkonoh Baruch Caro, Avraham Caro, Yaakov Berenstein, Yehuda Berenstein and Yerachmiel Noble!

...The helpful students, wishing to remain anonymous, who swept and mopped their Social Studies/Math room to keep it extra clean. Great job, boys! - Ms. Colombo

..Mrs. Colombo's 12 students who always say "thank you" to Mrs. Elich for pushing in to teach in their classroom.

# Reminder

DHR does not provide cutlery to students. Please remember to pack the necessary cutlery for your child(ren) snacks and lunches. Thank you!