Derech HaTorah of Rochester

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DERECH HATORAH OF ROCHESTER

TORAH FAIR 5779

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

"ואני תפילתי לך ה' עת רצון...'

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Art Projects



The 4/5 Girls have been studying the Elements of Art with Mrs. Esther Caro, their fantastic Art Teacher, in our new Joann Oransky

Art Room.

Scholarship Auction

Please put our upcoming Scholarship Auction on your calendars! As always it will be fun, entertaining and delicious! We'll have a new Chinese Auction format, along with our Live Auctions, plus fabulous Chinese food, a hot soup bar and delectable desserts! We are still actively soliciting donated items for packages, so please call the office if you are available to help. Also, please start talking up this event to friends and neighbors so it can be our biggest auction yet



Middos Menchen Stars of the Week

Dovid Brea & Binyamin Kozadayev, 2nd grade - Dovid & Binyamin did a big favor for everyone at the end of science class by collecting everyone's pencils! - R' Chastain

Benching Superstars!

Eliyahu Aranov Shneur Caro Chaim Chastain Meira Dan Adina Goldstein Atara Kosow

Ariel Kuyunov Mordy Mammon Ella Nussbaum Ahuva Roness Naama Roness Sima Scutaru

Dovi Shulman Malka Shulman Rena Sloviter Aron Vogel

Thank You to...

- ...the anonymous donor who donated \$100 in honor of R' Caro, his former 1st grade Rebbe!
- ...Mr. & Mrs. Malachi Chanokhavi for providing fresh milk for our students EVERY week!!
- ...Aliza Berenstein & Sarah Caro (current Ora students and DHR alumnae) for volunteering their time to DHR!
- ...Pencils & Paper for their generous donations that included 3 file cabinets, a paper shredder, office chairs, a new table and lots of cleaning supplies!! A special thank you to Mr. Howard Grossman, Program Coordinator, for making it happen!

Mazel Tov to...

- ...Simha Elmaleh upon becoming a Bat Mitzvah!
- ...2nd grade upon completing Perek Yud Gimmel in Parshas Lech
- ...the 6/7 girls for learning parshas Mishpatim!

Condolences to...

...the family of Mr. Roy Vanek, מ"ט of Toronto, Canada, father of Mrs. Baila Lowy, of Rochester, NY.

"המקום ינחם אתכם בתוך שאר אבלי ציון וירושלים

From the Principal

Every year, the Torah Fair is a memorable event that teaches our students Torah and increases their enthusiasm and efforts in Limud and Kinyan HaTorah.

The theme of this year's Torah Fair is "Tefilla". Some thoughts on Tefilla that our teachers have shared with their stu-

- The words in the סידור were made by the אנשי כנסת הגדלה and they have enormous power.
- Our chachomim explain that כוונה for children means saying the words proper-
- Balak realized the power of Tefilla when בנ"י killed Sichon & Og, the two giants. They understood that our roles but is not truly in our muscles but in our תפילות - that is why he called Bilam to help him curse the Jews. - Sometimes the תפילות of children can achieve more than those of
- The Tefillos of a group are much more powerful than prayers of individuals (example: one piece of paper is easy to tear, but hundreds combined are impossible to tear).
- It is difficult to get an opportunity to speak to a V.I.P. (like a Senator or President) but Hashem, the רבש"ע, the מלך מלכי המלכים is always available to listen to us ANYTIME and ANYWHERE.
- One of the main difficulties we have in תפלה is appreciating/ understanding that Hashem is truly in front of us when we daven. He is waiting for and listening to our Tefillos (ע' פרק י"ט מסילת ישרים).

This year's Torah Fair theme of "Tefilla" was introduced to the students on Tuesday, November 27. Another important date is two weeks away: Completed trifolds are due at school on Wednesday, Jan. 16. Most importantly, the Torah Fair is scheduled for Tuesday, January 22, 2019 from 5:30 - 6:30 pm.

Learning to Read



Our kindergartners are hard at work! They are learning to read both the English and Hebrew alphabets...and are having fun doing it! We are very proud of them and so appreciative of our wonderful, patient, talented Kindergarten teachers!!

Calendar

Please save the following important dates:

- Sun., Jan., 6th TIUNY Dinner New York City Mon., Jan. 21st Martin Luther King Jr. Day **No Busing**
- Tue., Jan. 22nd Torah Fair, 5:30 6:30pm Wed., Jan. 23rd Staff Development Day **No School**
- Sun., Feb. 24th Scholarship Auction- new location & format this year Calendar Update - The MSG Production has been changed to 3/11/19

