

Derech HaTorah of Rochester The Path of Respect and Excellence

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Scientist at Work!



The 2nd and 3rd graders shared their questions and comments when the Genesee Country Village Museum came to visit on Thursday, Feb. 22. The moveable Museum Common Wildlife Artifacts of the Genesee and two live animals continued the students' exploration, research and writing about animals and ecosystems. All their newly learned expertise will be on exhibit both in oral, written and video presentations during our annual Science Fair in April! In the meantime, ask your child how many of the ten animals common to the Genesee Region they can name! We thank the Genesee Country Village Museum for their generous grant requested by Mrs. Elich.

Nikayon Cleanliness Project

This was the first week of our school-wide cleanliness project and our school is already looking significantly cleaner! All of our students deserve a pat on the pack for helping to ensure we have a clean and respectable learning environment. - Rabbi Dov Chastain

This week, we started our exciting Nikayon unit in our Middos Classes. Our unit will be broken down into 4 categories. The categories are: Body & Self Hygiene, Cleanliness At Home, Cleanliness At School, and In our Environment.

This concept was introduced with a beautifully wrapped gift box with an exquisite, expensive watch inside it. We learned that our special and holy Neshamos are "wrapped" in our amazing bodies, and we talked about the importance of keeping our bodies healthy and clean. We learned "The Nikayon Dance", and role-played different situations.

Parents: A wonderful way to continue working on this at home would be to make a chart for your younger children reminding them to shower, cut nails, brush their teeth, and brush their hair. As we all know, starting healthy habits when we are young definitely gets us into a routine and makes it easier as we get older and busier! Looking forward to continuing this wonderful unit! - Mrs. Mammon

Getting Ready for Purim



From the Principal

This is it! Our Scholarship Journal deadline is this weekend!! As of this morning, including our incredible matching "Wings", we are at \$120,200! While that is great news, we are still short of our \$150,000 goal!!

If you haven't sent in an ad yet, this is your last chance! Please help fund scholarships for the children of DHR! Take this opportunity to recognize the inspirational Springut Family.

Thank your children's or grandchildren's teachers. Memorialize a loved one. Advertise your business. Attached is an ad blank to make it even easier. It's a great cause!

Also, we'd love to have you join us at the upcoming elegant and delicious Scholarship dinner honoring the Springuts on March 11. If you have not yet RSVP'd, please send back your response card, or call or email in your reservation.



Middos Menschen



Sam Brea, 5th grade - Sam consistently comes to class prepared and has his homework section read on time. - Ms. McDonnell

Batya Elmaleh, 8th grade - Batya offered to help me when my hands were full with bags. Thanks Batya! - Mrs. Stoler

Shlomo Mammon, 6th grade - Shlomo consistently comes to class prepared and has his homework section read on time. - Ms. McDonnell Ella Nussbaum, 2nd grade - Ella got books for the whole reading group and not just for herself! - Mrs. Polatoff

Chana Yaras, 3rd grade - Chana is very helpful with peers that are struggling to use dictionaries. She always goes above what is asked of her. - Ms. Nau

Benching Superstars!

Moshe Chastain Adina Goldstein Sima Scutaru

Esther Schon Malka Shulman Rena Sloviter

Tehila Solomon



Thank You to...

...Mr. & Mrs. Mirochnik for donating coloring books, crayons, colored pencils and markers for DHR students' to use during recess!

Calendar

- Tuesday, February 27 - Erev, Erev Purim: - Bring a donation (\$5 suggested) for Od Yosef Chai to help poor people in Israel (mitzvah of Matanos L' Evyonim) and skip the uniform...wear what you want!

- Wednesday, February 28 - No School, Staff Development Day

- Thurs. & Fri. March 1 & 2 - No School, Purim Break

- Sun. March 11, 6:00 P.M. - Scholarship Dinner

- Tue. March 13 - Spring Parent - Teacher Conferences, No School



The 7/8 girls split into groups and created Halleluka presentations that they shared with the class. The girls learned about the meaning of each of the Hallelukas!

