

# REUVEN REVIEW

YOUR WINDOW INTO THE WORLD OF YESHIVA KETANA OHR REUVEN...

ז' חשוון תשע"ט

5:41p.m.

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## Second Grade During Chumash חזרה



## Seventh Grade Kumzitz with R' Yitzchok Septimus of Yerushalayim



## Fourth Graders Working with Mrs. Stein on Reading Strategies While Others Work on Computers



## Fifth Graders Acting Out the Mishnayos



## Second Grade Working on Writing Skills in Their Pods



SAVE THE  
DATE!

Mazel Tov

Resource *Rebbe*, **Rabbi Meth** - upon the engagement of his daughter to Aron Dovid Siegel.



## Mesivta Open House

Motzei Shabbos, Parshas Vayechi

December 22

We Look Forward to Greeting You!

*Eighth Grade Parsha  
Chaburas with 12th  
Grade Mesivta Bachurim*



*Third Graders' Konei  
Olam Middos Program*



*Yosef Saragossi's  
Bar Mitzvah*



*Pre-1A Practicing Nekudos*



*4th Grader, Yosef Friedman  
Demonstrating with Lead How the Mitzrayim  
Sank Like Lead*



**P** Tzvi Silber **2** Elkanah Berkowitz **5** Shimon Dahan,  
Yaakov Kishner **6** Chanoch Book **7** Gavriel  
Hook **8** Mayer Friedman, Simcha Mayerfeld



**Save the Date!**  
**N'shei Tea**  
Sunday,  
November 11th  
at 10:30 a.m.

# Parenting in the Parsha

פרשת וירא

## To Dream the Impossible Dream

ותצחק שרה בקרבה לאמר אחרי בלתי היתה-לי עדנה ואדני זקן

And Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "Now that I am withered, am I to have enjoyment—with my husband so old?"

ויאמר ה' אל-אברהם למה זה צחקה שרה לאמר האף אמנם אלד ואני זקנתי

Then the Lord said to Avrohom, "Why did Sarah laugh, saying, 'Shall I in truth bear a child, old as I am?'

You miss 100% of the shots you don't take

- Wayne Gretzky

After decades of marriage failing to conceive a child Sarah overhears her husband being informed by a band of Arab nomads that one year later she, at 90 years of age, and Avrohom, at 100, would bear a child. In response, Sarah laughs at the ridiculousness of the notion. Her laughter seems a normal and reasonable response. Yet, she is called to task for it. And she, herself, realizes that her laughter was inappropriate, as she denies having laughed when confronted. What gives?

Here, the Torah is sharing with us a vital principle for all of life. Many times, we will be confronted with the seemingly impossible and insurmountable. No matter how small the odds though, possibility still exists. Where there is life, there is hope. Except, when we give up. When we no longer try, we change the odds from long ones to impossible. If we don't take the shot, we are guaranteed not to make it. Take it, there's always a chance.

After the horrors of the Holocaust, the Klausenberger Rebbe, the great Rav Yekusiel Yehuda Halberstam, became the father to all the orphaned children and the light of hope for the devastated survivors in the DP camps. The first Yom Kippur after the war, in the Feldafing DP camp, the Rebbe conducted Yom Kippur *tefilos* for the survivors. When he reached the *vidui* portion of the *davening*, the *rebbe* turned his eyes heavenward and called out, "Who wrote the *machzor*? None of this applies to us. Who was guilty in the concentration camps? Who had the time or strength for sin? Who stole in the camps? What was there to steal? Who sinned in eating forbidden foods? What was there to eat? No, said the *rebbe*, we are not guilty of any of these things. If so, what is our sin? To what failing must we confess on this Yom kippur? Our sin", said the Klausenberger Rebbe, "was the sin of losing hope, of giving up".

Giving up hope is antithetical to our belief system. The Kotzker Rebbe used to say, *ye'ush* is *she'lo mi'da'as*. Giving up comes from ignorance.

Children often feel overwhelmed by tasks and demands that seem to be beyond them. It is our job as parents to make sure that the demands that we make of our children are attainable. If we demand things from our children that they truly cannot do, or allow others to make those demands, we condition our children to give up hope. Instead, we need to challenge our children with demands that are just beyond their reach and then help them to extend that reach. We must create experiences for our children to rise to challenges and conquer new expectations so that they will have a reservoir of experience to draw from whenever the going gets tough.

Youth, is the hope and the promise that anything is possible. Maturity brings with it the realization that some things are not. Let's keep our children's youthful exuberance alive so they may laugh with the joy of possibilities realized.



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שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום



*This week's program* שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום *is sponsored by*  
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משה דוד חיים בן נפתלי צבי ע"ה  
שלמה בן צבי ע"ה

*May the זכות of the learning generated by this*  
*program be a זכות for them לנצח נצחים.*

**Many פרשיות of this year**  
**are still available for sponsorship!**  
Please help support this wonderful program.

**Monthly (4 weeks) sponsorship: \$275**  
**One week full sponsorship: \$75**  
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bplotzker@ohrreuven.com

First

Last

Name of תלמיד (Please Print Clearly)

Class: (Please Check One)

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – 10 פסוקים
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – 15 פסוקים
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – 20 פסוקים
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – 25 פסוקים
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – 30 פסוקים
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – 40 פסוקים
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – The whole פרשה

My son completed שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום for  
this פרשה in the amount specified for his class.

Parent's signature

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FOR GRADES

6, 7, & 8

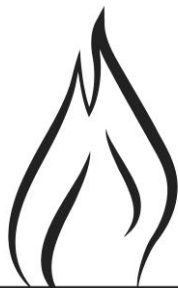
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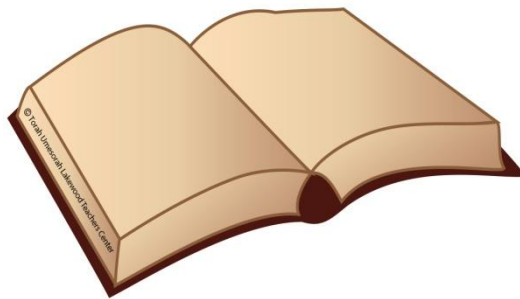
# Tefillah Awareness Power

EVERY WEEK, A SHORT SECTION OF DAVENING WITH ITS TRANSLATION WILL BE DISTRIBUTED.

EVERY TWO WEEKS THERE WILL BE A VOLUNTARY MULTIPLE CHOICE CUMULATIVE QUIZ.



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TALMIDIM WHO AVERAGE 70 AND ABOVE,  
WILL BE ENTERED INTO

**A SPECIAL MONTHLY RAFFLE.**

PRIZES FOR TALMIDIM WITH  
85 AND ABOVE AVERAGE

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זכרון יצחק

# LEARNING PROGRAM

## Erev Shabbos & Shabbos



שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום

*Raffle*

- Grades 1-2: Until שני שלישי
- Grades 3-4: Until רביעי
- Grades 5-6: Until פרשה
- Grades 7-8: Whole פרשה

לז"נ הרב ירחמיאל שלום  
משה בן הרב ישראל זצ"ל  
מגיד שיעור - ישיבה דרך חיים

**GRAND RAFFLE  
ON DECEMBER 16TH**

IN ADDITION THERE WILL BE A  
WEEKLY RAFFLE  
FOR A \$25 GIFT CARD

שבת פרשת

- Learned 15 minutes on Erev Shabbos
- Learned 15 minutes (Grades 1-4) / 30 minutes (Grades 5-8) on Shabbos
- Learned 15 minutes on Motzei Shabbos
- Learned שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Yeshiva \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Completed forms must be received by Wednesday, December 12th to be included in the raffle.  
Completed forms should be faxed to 646-595-2402 or emailed to [egoldberg417@gmail.com](mailto:egoldberg417@gmail.com).

**ALL  
LEARNING  
COUNTS!**

**Grand raffle will take place on December 16th  
50 PRIZES WILL BE RAFFLED OFF!!**

EREV SHABBOS / FRIDAY NIGHT

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

SHABBOS

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

MOTZEI SHABBOS

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_