

REUVEN REVIEW

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

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Misayem Meseches Shabbos!
Rabbi Plotzker, Sixth Grade



Chazzan of the Day
Mrs. Nadav, Pre1a

YESHIVAS OHR REUVEN'S 27TH ANNUAL DINNER

An incredible night with the undeniable signature warmth of the Yeshivas Ohr Reuven Family! Thank you to everyone who joined us - Pictures and highlights will follow!

Raffle Winners

AND THE WINNERS ARE...

First Place \$1,000

Seleski Family

Second Place \$500 to Evergreen

Daniel Rosen

Third Place \$250 Gift Certificate to Tuvia's

Moshe Feiner



The framed pictures were such a lovely touch. Just one of the many details that made the evening special!

I felt so lucky to be part of this beautiful YOR family!



GRADES 3-8 TRIP TO ROCKLAND LAKE



Thank you N'shei for arranging and sponsoring the water bottles that the boys received.

Thank you to
YKOR mothers
who volunteered

Mrs. Adams
Mrs. Cohen
Mrs. Deutsch
Mrs. Eisenstadt
Mrs. Halton
Mrs. Koegel
Mrs. Kopstick
Mrs. Muller
Mrs. Seleski
Mrs. Stansky
Mrs. Weisberg

*Thank
You*



Hi Rabbi Rawicki,
I don't think I thanked you properly today. I'm sure the trip required lots of planning on your part. I was so impressed with the boys' behavior and with how smoothly all the logistics went. Clearly a lot of thought was put into all the details.

Thanks again!!
N'shei Member

We had a wonderful time! What a fabulous trip for the boys, they all really enjoyed!

Overall, huge success!

Thank you for making Yeshiva so much fun for the boys!!

*Best,
N'shei Member*



GRADES 1-2 TRIP TO BOUNCE U



EDIBLE LAG BAOMER BONFIRE



PRE1A'S TRIP TO CHEDER CHABAD



6th Grade Three Part Pesach Chazzarah Program

3/4 of class doing chazarah on
specific amount of learning
= baseball in park.
Class qualified!



doing chazarah 3 times
= special siyum in 306 BBQ
17 talmidim qualified



chazared 5+ times
= special *retzufos seder* and
seudah together
with 11th Graders!
5 talmidim qualified



Over **12,000** lines of gemara learned
over pesach vacation!!!

Rabbi Plotzker, Sixth Grade



Shoroshim Matching Game Rabbi Myski, First Grade



Second Prize Winners

Ohr Reuven, Suffern, 7th Grade, Rabbi Prupas

You are a proud part of History!

MASMIDEI HASIYUM WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE ALL THE MASMIDEI TALMIDIM FOR THEIR UNBELIEVABLE LEARNING IN WEEK THREE! THE FOLLOWING TALMIDIM HAVE WON THE WEEKLY RAFFLE FOR LOGGING THEIR LEARNING.

YESHIVA KETANA OHR REUVEN, MONSEY,
RABBI WEISSMAN, 2 GRADE, COBY SPITZ

Keep Shteigain!

N'shei Opportunity

If you are interested in sponsoring a Rosh Chodesh treat for our boys, please call or text Peshie Needleman 845-494-2360.

There is only one month left!

Sponsor in honor of your son's birthday or Rebbe or a yahrtzeit.



Mazel Tov

Shlomo Gottleib (7) on his Hanachas Tefillin, Mazal tov to Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb, General Studais Principal

Menachem Perkowski (4) on the birth of a nephew

A Peek Into Yeshiva Ketana's Upcoming Events

Sunday, June 9 - Monday June 10th~
Shavous - No Sessions

Wednesday June 19th~
Eighth Grade Graduation - 7:15

Thursday, June 20th~
Last day of sessions - Dismissal 1:00

P Ami Wanounou 1 Elisha Friedman 3 Meir Cohen, Zevi Halton 6 Tzvi Schwab, Daniel Silber



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Parenting in the Parsha

פרשת בחוקתי Carrots and Sticks

אם-בְּחֻקֹּתַי תֵּלְכוּ וְאֶת-מִצְוֹתַי תִּשְׁמְרוּ וְעֲשִׂיתֶם אֹתָם: וְנָתַתִּי גִשְׁמִיכֶם בְּעֵתָם וְנָתַתִּי הָאָרֶץ יְבוּלָהּ וְעֵץ הַשָּׂדֶה יִתֵּן פְּרִיָּו: ... וְאִם-לֹא תִשְׁמְעוּ לִי וְלֹא תַעֲשׂוּ אֶת כָּל-הַמִּצְוֹת הָאֵלֶּה: וְאִם-בְּחֻקֹּתַי תִּמָּאֲסוּ וְאִם אֶת-מִשְׁפָּטִי תִגְעַל נַפְשְׁכֶם לְבַלְתִּי עֲשׂוֹת אֶת-כָּל-מִצְוֹתַי לְהַפְרֹכֶם אֶת-בְּרִיתִי: אֲףִי-אֲנִי אַעֲשֶׂה-זֹאת לָכֶם וְהִפְקַדְתִּי עֲלֵיכֶם בְּהֵלָה

If you follow My laws and faithfully observe My commandments, I will grant your rains in their season, so that the earth shall yield its produce and the trees of the field their fruit...But if you do not obey Me and do not observe all these commandments, if you reject My laws and spurn My rules, so that you do not observe all My commandments and you break My covenant, I in turn will do this to you: I will wreak misery upon you

היסוד אחד עשר

כי הוא הש"י נותן שכר למי שעושה מצות התורה ויעניש למי שעובר על אזהרותיה

The eleventh principle is that God, may He be blessed gives reward to the one who does the commandments of the Torah and punishes the one who transgresses its prohibitions

- Ramba"m, 13 Principles, *Peirush Hamishnayos*, Sanhedrin

A person who has been punished is not less inclined to behave in a given way; at best, he learns how to avoid punishment.

- B. F. Skinner

One of the fundamental principles of Jewish faith forms the core theme of this week's *Parsha*. The Ramba"m, in his treatise on the thirteen basic principles of faith, counts the belief in reward for the good that we do and punishment for any evil we engage in as a basic tenet of Judaism. We are driven to do good, in part, because of the reward that awaits us, and we are deterred from evil due to the fear of retribution. The Torah, here, lays out for us in frightening detail both the rewards we can expect and the serious consequences that await if we do or don't follow the Torah laws. Parenting, as well, is often a delicate and careful balance of reward and punishment as we try to guide our children's behavior.

The twentieth century saw an avalanche of research and discovery in the field of human psychology. Part of that research has opened a window for us into how we process feedback and incorporate it into our behavior moving forward. One of the more startling outcomes of that research is that punishments have been shown to be ineffective in altering behavior. At best, punishments simply teach children to avoid getting caught the next time! If so, how do we alter behavior? Positive reinforcement is the way to go.

Does that mean that there should be no consequences or punishments for children? Not exactly. What we often fail to realize is that it is the fear of negative consequences more than the consequences themselves that help guide behavior. Children, and adults, become inured to negative consequences, as they grow accustomed to those consequences as the new norm. That, in turn, requires a vicious cycle of constantly escalating consequences which quickly lose their efficacy and must be replaced by even harsher ones. Negative consequences will not alter behavior long term. What they can do is serve as deterrents that may cause one to avoid negative behaviors to avoid those consequences. The key in parenting is to have clear, logical consequences, to make sure that your children know that you're not afraid to impose those consequences, and then to ensure that they rarely need to be implemented.

Popular opinion often dictates that children must be subjected to strict, severe punishment to regulate their behavior. That popular opinion is often bolstered by the appearance of effectiveness as children's behavior noticeably changes in immediate response to those consequences. The fallacy is that the change in behavior is illusory. The child has not altered his behavior at all. He just keeps it out of sight.

In research published in 2008, Dr. Eveline Crone and her colleagues from the Leiden Brain and Cognition Lab studied children under the age of 12 who were subject to either negative or positive feedback in trying to master a new task. The researchers used fMRI technology to observe the brain activity of the study participants as they either received positive feedback for a task done correctly, or negative feedback when done incorrectly. Amazingly, Dr. Crone's research showed that in children under 12 years of age, the areas of the brain responsible for cognition and control lit up in response to positive feedback, but were barely activated in response to negative feedback. It seems that children's brains are simply wired to respond to positive, not negative feedback. The researchers surmise that this is due to the relative ease of simply repeating that which you did correctly before, versus the complexity of processing negative feedback by considering where one went wrong and possible alternate action and behavior.

The implications are clear and incredibly important. We need to check the owner's manual and operate children as they are wired to operate. If we truly want to guide and alter our children's behavior in a measurable, meaningful, and enduring fashion, then we need to guide them to the behaviors we want to see, catch them in the course of those behaviors, and offer positive feedback for them. Our kids, and we, will be much better off if we do.

Good Shabbos,

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Name: _____ Grade: _____ פרשת

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Last

Name of תלמיד (Please Print Clearly)

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- ☐ 2nd Grade – 10 פסוקים
- ☐ 3rd Grade – 15 פסוקים
- ☐ 4th Grade – 20 פסוקים
- ☐ 5th Grade – 25 פסוקים
- ☐ 6th Grade – 30 פסוקים
- ☐ 7th Grade – 40 פסוקים
- ☐ 8th 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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Erev Shabbos & Shabbos



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Grades 3-4: Until שלישי

Grades 5-6: Until רביעי

Grades 7-8: Whole פרשה

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