

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, November 24, 2019 1st Grade Hascholas Chumash Celebration

Legal Holiday-No Transportation Dismissal K-8 12:45 PM

Motzei Shabbos, December 14,

Mesivta Open House 8:00 PM

Sunday, December 15, 2019 Parent Teacher Conferences Dismissal 1-8 12:00 PM

Sunday, December 22, 2019

Erev Chanukah

Wednesday, December 25, 2019 Legal Holiday-

No Transportation

Thursday, December 26, 2019

No Suffern Central Transportation

#### **IMPORTANT NOTES**

845.362.8362 x 198)

In case of inclement weather, please call the Yeshiva Ketana message line: **845.362.8362**, **x** 199. (The Mesivta message line is

YOUR WINDOW INTO THE WORLD OF YESHIVA KETANA OHR REUVEN

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בה חשון תש"פ בה חשון תש"פ

Mazel tov Rabbi and Mrs. Gottlieb (YK Principal, HS Associate Principal, Maggid Shiur in the Semicha Kollel) upon the engagement of their daughter Mindy to Zevi Spilman of Monsey! May we always share simchos!

### Thank you to the N'shei for the beautiful Tea!



If you didn't take home your bumper magnet from the tea,

you can get it (or send your son to pick one up from) the school office!



Rabbi Weissman's class inspecting a sefer that the Chofetz Chaim inscribed.



Dear Parents in Grades 1-4,

You are hopefully enjoying the Matnas Shabbos program at your Shabbos Table. Matnas Shabbos sponsorship opportunities are becoming limited.

Please see attached flyer for availabilities. To sponsor, please contact Mrs. Schwartz at 845.362.8362 X 122 or email pschwartz@ohrreuven.com



## Answering Amein Association (See flyer attached!)

Rabbi Plotzker telling an Amein story and distributing lollipops so talmidim can answer amein to the brochos!





Akiva Weinraub from Pre-1A brought in six baby bunnies for Show and Tell:).





N'shei is looking for a sponsor for this month's Rosh Chodesh treat (for Kislev and all future months!) If you're interested please call Peshie Needleman at 845-494-2360. This can be in honor of a yahrtzeit, or your child's birthday, or even just in honor of a great Rebbe or Morah!

### 7th Grade achdus during recess



Save The Date - Mesivta Open House! The Yeshivas Ohr Reuven Mesivta Open House will be held Motzei Shabbos, December 14 @ 8:00 PM. More details will follow.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- (K) Meyer Lampert
- (1) Aryeh Dahan
- (2) Menachem Goldstein
- (3) Yehuda Eliyahu
- Frances

- (3) Ronni Fuchs
- (5) Moshe Grossberger
- (6) Nechemia Gold
- (8) Avi Noam Dembitzer
- (8) Daniel Robinson

#### **MAZEL TOV**

Mazel tov to Rabbi and Mrs. Rawicki (YK Menahel) upon the birth of a grandson!

Mazel tov to Mr. and Mrs. Leibovic (YK teacher, Guidance counselor) upon the engagement of their daughter.

Mazel tov to Miss Yocheved Rapp (preschool) on her upcoming chasuna this Sunday!

Mazel Tov to Shalom Gavriel Gross upon his bar mitzvah!

Gottlieb

# PARENTING in PARSHA



חיי שרה

To Make a Short Story Long...

וַיֹּאמֶר עבד אַברָהָם אַנכיי וָה' בַּרָד אָת אָדנִי מִאד וַיִּגדַל וַיְּתוּן לוֹ צֹאן ובקר וְכַסף ווָהב ועבדם ושפחת וגמלים וַחַמֹרים: וַתֵּלד שַׁרָה אֲשֶׁת אֲדֹנִי בן לאדני אַחֲרֵי זְקַנַתַהּ וַיִּתַּן לוֹ אַת כּל אֲשֶׁר לוֹי

"I am Abraham's servant," he began. "The LORD has greatly blessed my master, and he has become rich: He has given him sheep and cattle, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah, my master's wife, bore my master a son in her old age, and he has assigned to him everything he owns.

אמר רבי אחא יפה שיחתן של עבדי אבות לפני המקום מתורתן של בנים, שהרי פרשה של אליעור כפולה בתורה והרבה גופי תורה לא נתנו אלא ברמיזה

- (בראשית רבה):

Every Jew is a letter. Each Jewish family is a word, every community a sentence, and the Jewish people at any one time are a paragraph. The Jewish people through time constitute a story, the strangest and most moving story in the annals of mankind.

-Rabbi Jonathan Sacks – A Letter in the Scroll

If there is one thing that is clear and unequivocal about the structure of the Torah, it is its economy of language. The Torah contains no extra words, and countless halachos are derived from a single extra letter in a particular context. Yet, when the Torah details the story of Eliezer traveling to find a wife for Yitzchok, it finds it necessary to tell the story in full and then to repeat it in every detail in Eliezer's retelling. Rash"i cites the midrash, which is also found in the gemara Sanhedrin, that this parsha manifests the principle that the conversation of the servants of the forefathers is greater before G-d than the Torah of the descendants. What Rash"i and the midrash leave for us to figure out is why.

In the beginning of parashas Bereishis, Rash"i cites Rabbeinu Yitzchak who questions why the Torah needs to begin from Bereishis rather than starting from the first mitzvah given to the Bnei Yisrael in Mitzrayim. The Ramba"n challenges the premise of the question, noting the importance of the stories of Bereishis in imparting the values of the avos to us, their offspring. Building on the Ramban's idea, the stories of Bereishis are vital to us as individuals and as a nation, as they provide for us an identity and context in which to view ourselves.

One of the biggest problems that plagues the youth of today is the lack of any meaningful identity. Many young people have no sense of their heritage, no knowledge of where they came from, and no appreciation of the sacrifice and struggles of those who preceded them. And, because they don't know where they come from, they do not understand or appreciate who they are. For each of us, our identity is the next chapter in the story of those who came before us. To know them and their stories is to know me.

A proper, observant, Torah lifestyle is a function of a sense of identity. You can only be the person you were destined to be if you are cognizant of your place as a link in a long chain. A sense of identity is almost an essential prerequisite to a Torah observant life.

Sefer Bereishis, with its vivid, detailed account of the avos, their life stories, and their struggles, affords us a sense of identity and connection. We identify with those stories, and thus see ourselves in a larger and broader context. The stories of *Bereishis* are akin to the tales that grandparents and parents tell their children and grandchildren about their life growing up and their own history. Those stories are usually long on detail, much of which may seem extraneous at the time, but all of which helps to paint the full picture of where we come from. All of those great stories are truly valuable when we've heard them so many times growing up that we can recite them along with the teller.

The conversation of the servants of the *avos* are the stories of our predecessors. They hold the details to the life story of our forebears. Those stories are told at length, in vivid detail, and repeated in the same detail. In that way, they stick in our minds and provide the backdrop for us to know ourselves.

The lesson for us as parents is simple and straightforward. Spend time telling your children the stories of your youth. If your children are blessed with grandparents or even living great-grandparents, create opportunities for them to be exposed to and hear the stories of their forebears. If your children do not have the privilege of grandparents or greatgrandparents, take them to visit the elderly and encourage them to share their stories. The kids may roll their eyes now and complain how much they don't care. But, as they grow up, those stories lodged in the back of their minds will become the context in which they will understand themselves. The greatest gift you can give your children is the gift of knowing themselves!

Good Shabbos, Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb Principal |



### **Erev Shabbos & Shabbos**

GRAND RAFFLE שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום ON IANUARY 7TH IN ADDITION THERE WILL BE A לז"נ הרב ירחמיאל שלום WEEKLY RAFFLE משה בן הרב ישראל זצ"ל Grades 1-2: Until שני FOR A \$25 GIFT CARD מגיד שיעור -ישיבה דרך חיים Grades 3-4: Until שלישי Grades 5-6: Until רביעי Grades 7-8: Whole פרשה שבת פרשת Name \_\_\_\_\_ Yeshiva \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Please fill in the information below clearly: ☐ Learned 15 minutes □ Learned שנים מקרא Learned on Shabbos ☐ Learned on Motzei Shabbos on Erev Shabbos ואחד תרגום (Grades 1-4) 15 minutes / (Grades 5-8) 30 minutes (Grades 1-4) 15 minutes / (Grades 5-8) 30 minutes First time participants should also fill out the information below: Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Completed forms must be received by January 1st to be included in the raffle.</u>
Completed forms should be faxed to 646-595-2402 or emailed to egoldberg417@gmail.com.

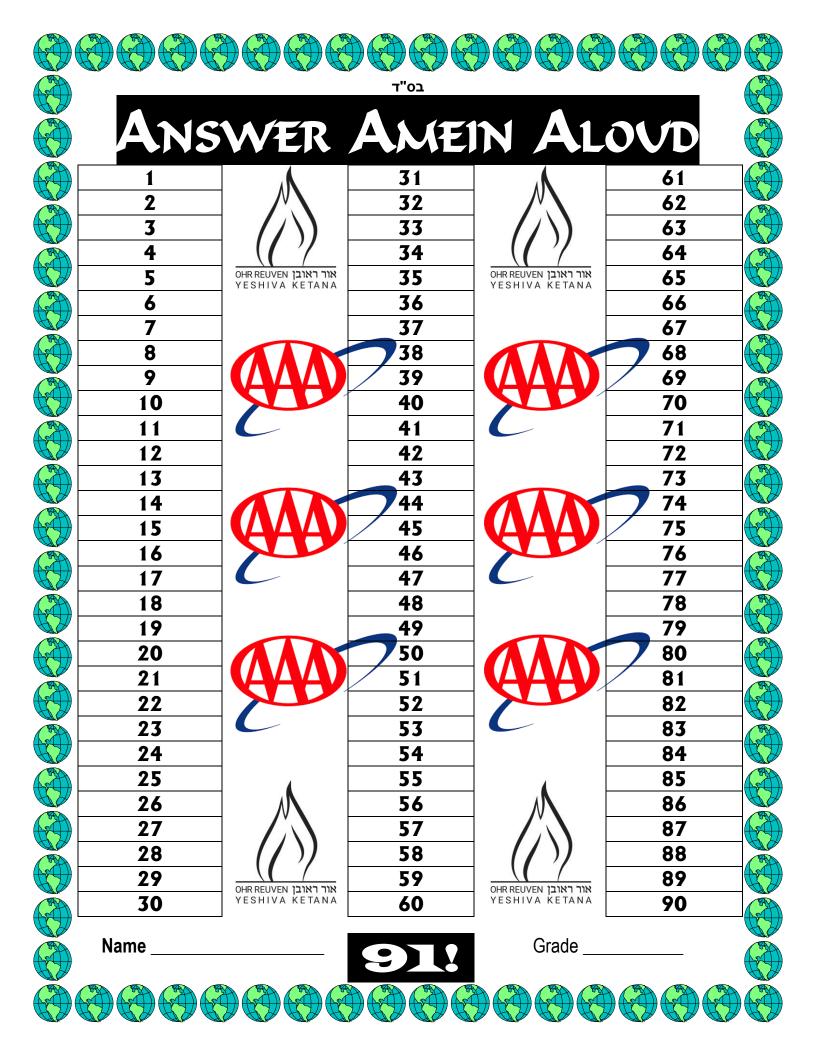
Grand raffle will take place on Monday, January 7th, עשרה בטבת 50 PRIZES WILL BE RAFFLED OFF!!

For more information or for sponsorship opportunities please call Rabbi Eliyohu Goldberg 347.420.0906 or email egoldberg417@gmail.com LAST WEEK'S WINNER:

YECHIEL HIRSCH

YESHIVA M'KOR BORUCH PASSAIC







# **Alumni Shiur**



### Rabbi Benzion **Brodie**

Thanksgiving Alumni Shiur

Thursday, November 28, 2019 9:15 AM

Shachris in Yeshiva at 7:40

Followed by Dvar Halacha by the Rosh Yeshiva on Hilchos Brachos

Hot Breakfast Buffet

#### LOCATION:

Yeshivas Ohr Reuven 259 Grandview Ave, Suffern NY 10901









Date	Hebrew Date	Parsha	Sponsorships
10/26	כז תשרי	בראשית	Sponsored
11/2	ד חשון	נח	Sponsored
11/9	יא חשון	לך לך	Sponsored
11/16	יח חשון	וירא	Sponsored
11/23	כה חשון	חיי שרה	Sponsored
11/30	ב כסלו	תולדות	Sponsored
12/7	ט כסלו	ויצא	Sponsored
12/14	טז בסלו	וישלח	Sponsored
12/21	בג בסלו	וישב	Sponsored
1/4	ז טבת	ויגש	Sponsored
1/11	יד טבת	ויחי	
1/18	כא טבת	שמות	Sponsored
1/25	כח טבת	וארא	Sponsored
2/8	יג שבט	בשלח	Sponsored
2/15	כ שבט	יתרו	
2/22	כז שבט	משפטים	
2/29	ד אדר	תרומה	
3/7	יא אדר	תצוה	Sponsored
3/14	יח אדר	בי תשא	Sponsored
3/21	כה אדר	ויקהל	
3/28	ג ניסן	ויקרא	
4/25	א אייר	- תזריע	
5/2	ח אייר	אחרי מות	
5/16	כה אייר	בהר	
5/23	כט אייר	במדבר	
6/6	יד סיון	נשא	
6/13	בא סיון	בהעלתך	
6/20	כח סיון	שלח	

Sponsorships are available! For just \$54 you can sponsor one week of this beautiful program for a simcha, liluy nishmas, l'refuah shlaima or just in honor of your son/grandson, etc.

Sponsor dedication will be prominently displayed in the new beautiful upcoming weekly pamphlets.

Please click here https://www.shuldonations.com/donation/darcheinoam?reason=Matnas%20Shabbos In the comments section, you can write which week you would like to sponsor and in honor of who/what.

You may also contact Mrs. Schwartz at 845-352-7100 Ex. 122 or at <a href="mailto:pschwartz@ohrreuven.com">pschwartz@ohrreuven.com</a>

 ${\it Tizku \ Lemitzvos \ and \ thank \ you \ for \ supporting \ the \ Matnas \ Shabbos \ program! \ A \ gutten \ Shabbos!}$ 

# see What Your Rebbe Has to Offerth

RABBI MYSKI - 1ST GRADE - Be Rebbi's helper for the day! 3 winners for a special treat!

WINNER: MORDECHAI FROMMER, NOAM DEUTSCH, AVRAHAM LEVI WHITEHOUSE!

RABBI DOVIE WEISSMAN – 2ND GRADE - 1 eraser dice (2)! 5 red Chumash Cards (2)! 1 Danish (1)!

WINNER: MOSHE GRUEN, OSHER VAKSMAN, MOSHE GRUEN, MENACHEM GOLDSTEIN, SHALOM ADLER!

RABBI BILLER, - 3RD GRADE - Free homework pass! Free test pass! Extra bowl of cholent! 20 tickets into raffle!

WINNER: DOVI LEFF, EFRAIM BRAND, UZI KURZMANN!

RABBI LOWY - 4TH GRADE - An overnight kugel for the class!

WINNER: NACHI KOHN!

RABBI ROBINSON, - 5TH GRADE - 1 Ma'ah coin & a homework pass!

WINNER: AVROMI KOPSTICK!

RABBI YEHUDA KOHN - 6TH GRADE - 3 Gold Coins! (2) A chance to spin the wheel! (2)

WINNER: SHNEUR KURKUS, YEHOSHUA WEG!

RABBI PRUPAS, - 7TH GRADE - 3 mugs of hot cocoa in class provided by Rebbe on any morning of the boys choosing! 10 extra marks on a test of the boys choosing! 3 night off homework! (doesn't apply the night before a test)Game of HORSE with Rebbe! Chance to change one morning song to a song of the boys choosing!

WINNER: YOSEF WARUM, BENTZI WEISS, DOVID KURZMANN, YOSEF WARUM, BENTZI WEISS,

DOVID KURZMANN, DANIEL SILBER!

RABBI NOAM PEIKES - 8TH GRADE - Shabbos at Rebbi's House with two friends!

WINNER: ARYEH LEIB BRACHFELD!

RABBI GOTTLIEB - A game of HORSE!

WINNER: GAVRIEL SILBER!

RABBI RAWICKI - Lunch with the Menahel and a friend!

WINNER: MENACHEM GOLDSTEIN!

RABBI RUDINSKY - 30 min chanvrusa with the Rosh Yeshiva!

WINNER: YOSEF MEIR GRYNHEIM!







This weeks שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום program is sponsored by Mr. & Mrs. A. Robinson

in honor of the amazing

### Daniel Robinson

upon his upcoming bar mitzvah!

May you merit to continue to grow and accomplish great things!

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 One week partial sponsorship: \$40

> To sponsor a פרשה please contact Rabbi Plotzker: bplotzker@ohrreuven.com

First	Last	
	Name of תלמיד (Please Print Clearly)	
Class: (I	Please Check One)	
•	Grade – 10 פסוקים	
$\Box$ 3 <sup>rd</sup> G	Grade – 15 פסוקים	
$\Box$ 4 <sup>th</sup> (	Grade – 20 פסוקים	
$\Box$ 5 <sup>th</sup> G	Grade – 25 פסוקים	
$\Box$ 6 <sup>th</sup> G	Grade – 30 פסוקים	
$\square$ 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade – 40 פטוקים		
$\square$ 8 <sup>th</sup> G	Grade – The whole פרשה	
My s	on completed שנים מקרא ואחד תרוגום for	
•	in the amount specified for his class.	
	Parent's signature	
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