



OHR REUVEN אור ראובן
YESHIVA KETANA

UPCOMING EVENTS

**See flyer attached- This Week!*

Motzei Shabbos,
December 21, 2019

Mesivta Open House 8:15 PM

Sunday,
December 22, 2019

Erev Chanukah

Monday and Tuesday,
December 23 & 24, 2019

No Suffern Central
Transportation

Wednesday,
December 25, 2019

Legal Holiday-
No Transportation.
Dismissal K-1 3:00 PM, 2-8 4:15 PM

Thursday,
December 26, 2019

No Suffern Central
Transportation

December 27-30, 2019
Chanukah Vacation

No sessions

Dismissal Change:

January 1, 2020

Early Dismissal at **12:00 PM**

IMPORTANT NOTES

In case of inclement weather, please call the Yeshiva Ketana message line: **845.362.8362, x 199.** (The Mesivta message line is **845.362.8362 x 198**)

REUVE REVIEW

YOUR WINDOW INTO THE WORLD OF YESHIVA KETANA OHR REUVEN

Vol. 7 Issue #12

December 20, 2019

4:12 pm

כ"ב כסלו תש"פ

פרשת וישב

Our Menahel, Rabbi Rawicki, *shepping nachas* seeing how well the boys in 1st grade know their shorashim.



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מוצש"ק פרשת וישב תש"פ
259 Grandview Avenue • Suffern, NY 10901

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From Kindergarten to Kollel and Beyond!
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Thank you to the class mothers!

Yeshiva Ketana Ohr Reuven would like to thank our N'shei class mothers for all of their efforts on behalf of yeshiva: **Tzippy Book, Aliza Deutsch, Jessica Drel, Shevy Haas, Elky Halberthal, Bracha Kivelevitz, Beth Morell, Tova Neuhauser, Aliza Rieder, Basy Robinson, Daniella Rothman & Audrey Seleski.** As always, we are very grateful to our N'shei co-presidents: **Aviva Cohen** and **Simi Eisenstadt** for their devotion to Yeshiva.

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Rabbi Lowy's 4th grade class learned in Mishne 't how the young kohanim would make sure the Kohain Gadol wouldn't fall asleep by snapping their fingers and asking the kohain gadol to stand barefoot on the marble floor.



Rabbi Weissman's 2nd grade class enjoying a shalom zachor in honor of Yitzchok Avinu's birth.



Our principal, Rabbi Gottlieb, giving Honor Roll awards to 8th graders, Gavriel Hook and Aron Drel.



Parent Teacher Conferences- Thank you!



Over 25,000 Ameins generated so far, by the members of YKOR AAA - "Answering Amein Association!!" Raffle will be'h be on Thursday, the 4th day of Chanukah. To sponsor this or any of our other programs please email bplotzker@ohrreuen.com Thank you!

Alumni Parent Feedback

The yeshiva recently got a donation from an alumnus that came along with a note that said **"In honor of a yeshiva that made me who I am today....Thank you!"**

MAZEL TOV

Mazel Tov to Chana Koslovsky (Preschool) upon her engagement to Meir Rosenstock!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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| (K) Nosson Shulman | (4) Shayah Reichler |
| (P) Eitan Menachem Vilinsky | (7) Moshe Lorber |
| (2) Eliezer Eisenstadt | (8) Yehuda Baruch Saperstein |
| (2) Akiva Deutsch | |

MASMIDEI HASIYUM WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE

YONAH COREN, 6TH GRADE

YESHIVA KETANA OHR REUVEN

You are a proud winner!

Keep Shteiging!



MASMIDEI HASIYUM
AGUDATH ISRAEL of AMERICA

Winners of Rabbi Plotzker's T.A.P. Raffle



7th graders showing off their gemara Master Testers poster.



Rabbi Robinson's 5th graders learning during lunch time



"Chavrusa Tumult" in Rabbi Kohn's 6th grade class



Rabbi Scheinberg, our *choshuva* 9th grade rebbe, made time to speak to our 2nd graders about his great uncle, R' Chaim Pinchas Scheinberg zt"l, as part of their gadolim project.



Message from the Nurse:

It's not too late!!!

The BEST way to prevent the flu, and its complications, is by getting the flu vaccine.

The flu is now widespread in Rockland County.

We take care of our children but let's take care of ourselves, too!! Vaccines are easily accessible at your Doctor's office, Walgreens, Rite-Aid,...and the Rockland County Dept. of Health in Pomona.

To debunk a common misconception:

The flu vaccine does not give you the flu. It stimulates your body to produce antibodies. These antibodies protect you from flu viruses. Once you get the flu vaccine, it takes about two weeks for it to be fully effective.

IF you catch the flu during flu season even after you received the vaccine--it will be milder and the recovery should be easier.

Aimee Kirshblum, RN

וישב

Personal Responsibility

וַיִּכְרַח יְהוּדָה וַיֹּאמֶר צְדָקָה מִמֶּנִּי כִּי עַל כֵּן לֹא נִתְּתִיהָ לְשִׁלָּה בְנִי

Judah recognized them, and said, “She is more in the right than I, inasmuch as I did not give her to my son Shelah.”

שנה שהיו ישראל במדבר עצמותיו של יהודה היו מגולגלין בארון עד שעמד משה ובקש עליו רחמים אמר כל אותן ארבעים

לפניו רבונו של עולם מי גרם לראובן שיודה יהודה וזאת ליהודה שמע ה' קול יהודה

Throughout those forty years that the children of Israel were in the wilderness, Judah’s bones were rattling in the coffin, until Moses stood and entreated God to have mercy upon him. Moses said before Him: Master of the Universe, who caused Reuven to confess his sin? It was Judah. Judah’s confession to his sin with Tamar led Reuben to confess to his own sin. Moses continued: “And this is for Judah...hear God, the voice of Judah” (Deuteronomy 33:7).

-Makkos 11b

A man can fail many times, but he isn’t a failure until he begins to blame somebody else.

- John Burroughs

Conjure the scene in your mind’s eye, and the courage displayed by Yehuda becomes all the more striking. At a low point in his life, following the loss of two sons and of his wife, ostracized by his brothers after the debacle of Yosef, Yehuda quietly succumbs to the dual pressures of loneliness and temptation in his encounter with Tamar, incognito. His public image remains intact and unscathed, and, even in this moment of moral shortcoming, he conducts himself with great honesty and integrity.

Months later, Yehuda, in his role as lead *dayan*, finds himself presiding over a capital case involving his former daughter-in-law. She is visibly pregnant, and therefore visibly guilty, making it an open and shut case. The *bais din* convicts and sentences her to death. Tamar, in her greatness, refuses to publicly shame Yehuda, even at the cost of her own life, but she makes it abundantly clear, in a way that only Yehuda can understand, that he is the accomplice to her crime.

Yehuda has a choice to make, and a difficult one. He

can proceed without saying a word, preserving his reputation and stature, or he can very publicly and embarrassingly admit to his failure, jeopardizing a reputation he has taken a lifetime to build. For Yehuda, integrity carries the day, and he confesses his role, sparing the life of Tamar. The irony is that rather than damaging his reputation, Yehuda’s public admission is the first step towards reclaiming his image after the Yosef debacle. Yehuda’s episode becomes the model for others to follow in taking responsibility for their actions, and he is credited with inspiring Reuven to do the same. It also becomes the model for us and our children.

Children are naturally prone to fault others for their failures. They do not understand that everyone makes mistakes, and they see any error as evidence of their own inadequacy. Blaming others allows them to save face, avoid embarrassment, and escape potential negative consequences. While blame-shifting is normal and natural for young children, if we don’t help them to grow out of it, we disadvantage them for life.

How to help children take responsibility for their actions? Start by looking in the mirror. If you tend to blame others for your own difficulties, your children will follow your lead and do the same. Make a conscious effort to focus on the things that you can do to help your situation rather than looking to assign blame. Take responsibility when you mess up. We are afraid to admit to our children that we were wrong for fear of diminishing ourselves in their eyes. On the contrary, like Yehuda, if we can admit our errors we will seem that much greater in their eyes. Your kids will then follow suit.

Be supportive and non-judgmental when your children do fess up to their mistakes. Your reaction will almost certainly control what they will do the next time. If you react with horror, disappointment, or severe consequences, you can be certain that next time the child will find anyone else to blame but himself. If you are empathetic, supportive, and fair in your reaction, your child will learn that taking responsibility isn't harmful.

Create a culture in your home where mistakes are OK. If we are perfectionists, and are too hard on ourselves and our children for errors, then we encourage our children to never admit to error. To err is still very much human, and if children know that the mistakes they make just mean that they are good, normal people, then they will be prepared to admit mistakes.

Be consistent with rules. When you allow children to believe they can get away with things, they try to get away with things. Consistent enforcement of rules, and fair, known consequences send children the message that there is responsibility that they should be taking seriously.

Praise and highlight examples of your own children and others taking personal responsibility. While

the story of Yehuda and Tamar is a little mature for teaching to children, find other examples of those who have stood up and accepted responsibility. Create and highlight role-models for your children to emulate. Give them warm, positive feedback every time you catch them in the act of taking responsibility, and they will become accustomed to doing so.

If a man isn't a failure until he starts blaming others, then, by contrast, his journey to success begins when he stops blaming others and takes responsibility himself. Set your kids up for success.

*Good Shabbos,
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
Principal*

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בס"ד

THE חשמונאים FOUGHT AGAINST
THE יוונים AND WITH THE FINAL STRIKE
THE יוונים FLED INTO THE GUTTERS.

WHEN THE בני ישראל ARRIVED IN THE בית המקדש THEY
FOUND ALL THE OIL FOR THE מנורה WAS טמא.
THEY SEARCHED AND THEY SEARCHED UNTIL THEY FINALLY
FOUND ONE SPARE JAR OF OIL.

IT WAS ONLY ENOUGH TO LAST FOR ONE NIGHT.
THEY WERE PINNING THEIR HOPES ON THAT IT WOULD LAST
LONGER. AND SO IT WAS. 'ה' MADE A SPECIAL נס AND IT LASTED
FOR 8 DAYS. AND SO, EVERY YEAR WE CELEBRATE חנוכה,
WITH THANKS AND PRAISE FOR 'ה' AND HAVE A BALL

IN CELEBRATION -

YKOR Elementary will be going on a special

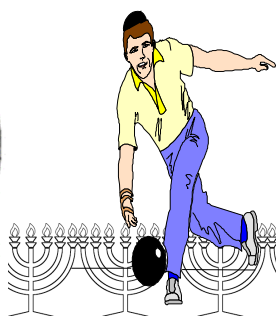
BOWLING TRIP

Tuesday, December 24th.

1st - 4th grades departing 9:20, arriving back 11:15

5th - 8th grades departing 10:20, arriving back 12:15

KINDLY SPONSORED BY THE YKOR N'SHEI



PLEASE WEAR
SNEAKERS





בס"ד



QUESTION OF THE DAY

ONE RAFFLE TICKET PER QUESTION ANSWERED!

Answers should be written on Q.O.D. cards and placed in mailbox outside office.

QUESTIONS ON פרשת וישב

- 1) How old was יוסף הַצַּדִּיק when he was sold down to מִצְרַיִם?
- 2) Name one of the two שָׁבָטִים that were not there when יוסף הַצַּדִּיק was sold.
- 3) What did the שָׁבָטִים bring to יַעֲקֹב אָבִינוּ to "show that יוסף הַצַּדִּיק was no longer alive"?
- 4) What is the name of יִהוּדָה's wife, the mother of זָרַח & פֶּרֶץ?
- 5) What was the name of the person who bought יוסף הַצַּדִּיק in מִצְרַיִם?
- 6) Which two people in jail had dreams that יוסף הַצַּדִּיק interpreted?

WINNERS FROM פרשת וישלח

E. D. BALDINGER C. T. EISENSTADT
DANIEL PEIKES DAVID GUTMACHER
ZEVY DEUTSCH

Machzikei Torah
Zichron Yitzhak



מחזיקי תורה
זכרון יצחק

LEARNING PROGRAM

Erev Shabbos & Shabbos



ALL
LEARNING
COUNTS!

שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום

Raffle

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

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

GRAND RAFFLE
ON JANUARY 7TH

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

שבת פרשת

Name _____

Yeshiva _____ Grade _____

Phone _____ Parent's Signature _____

Please fill in the information below clearly:

☐ Learned 15 minutes
on Erev Shabbos

☐ Learned on Shabbos
(Grades 1-4) 15 minutes / (Grades 5-8) 30 minutes

☐ Learned on Motzei Shabbos
(Grades 1-4) 15 minutes / (Grades 5-8) 30 minutes

☐ Learned שנים מקרא
ואחד תרגום

First time participants should also fill out the information below:

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Completed forms must be received by January 1st to be included in the raffle.

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:

MEIR SIMCHA

YESHIVA
KETANA OF
BENSENHURST
BROOKLYN NY



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IS STILL AVAILABLE

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: (Please Check One)

- ☐ 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
