



OHR REUVEN אור ראובן
YESHIVA KETANA

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, February 5, 2020
Sessions resume

Sunday, February 16, 2020
Hascholas Gemara~**Note Change**

Monday, February 17, 2020
Legal Holiday
No Transportation
Arrival: K-5: 9 AM, 6-8: 8 AM
Dismissal: 12:45 PM
Rebbeim and Teachers
Professional Development Day

Tuesday, February 18,-
Thursday, February 20, 2020
Regular E.R. Transportation
No Suffern Central
Transportation

Monday, February 24 &
Tuesday, February 25, 2020
Picture Day- details will follow

Wednesday, February 26, 2020
Carnival Day~**Note Change**

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)

REUVEN REVIEW

YOUR WINDOW INTO THE WORLD OF YESHIVA KETANA OHR REUVEN

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פרשת בא

❄️ Enjoy Mid-Winter Vacation! ❄️



Our Rosh Yeshiva Shlit" speaks to the 5th grade about the importance and beauty of the mitzva of Mezuzah. When Dani Alexander finished off a Ma'amhar Chaza"l that the Rosh Yeshiva was saying, the Rosh Yeshiva got so excited that he gave Dani a dollar bill!



Rabbi Yosef Chaim Schwab speaking to Rabbi Weissman's 2nd grade talmidim about his father, Reb Shimon Schwab, for their Gadol of the Week Program!

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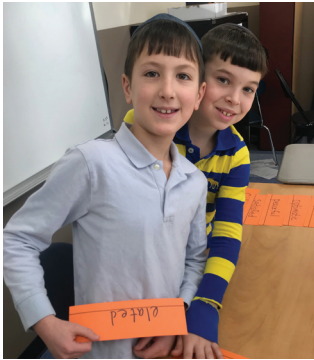
From Kindergarten to Kollel and Beyond!
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Mrs. Radzik's 1st grade made edible igloos after learning about the winter season!



Pre-1A boys enjoying their ocean center, exploring with water, sand and plastic sea creatures.



4th graders sorting vocabulary words in their emotional intelligence class.



Rabbi Kohn's 6th grade class presenting their Eretz Yisroel projects!



Proud first graders receiving their shnayim mikrah prizes for parshas shemos!

N'shei is looking for a sponsor for future Rosh Chodesh treats. If you're interested, please call Peshie Needleman at 845-494-2360. This can be in honor of a yahrtzeit, your child's birthday, or even in honor of a great Rebbe or Morah!



Thank you to the N'shei for the special staff and student Rosh Chodesh treats!



Rabbi Shonek teaching safrus to the 5th graders!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

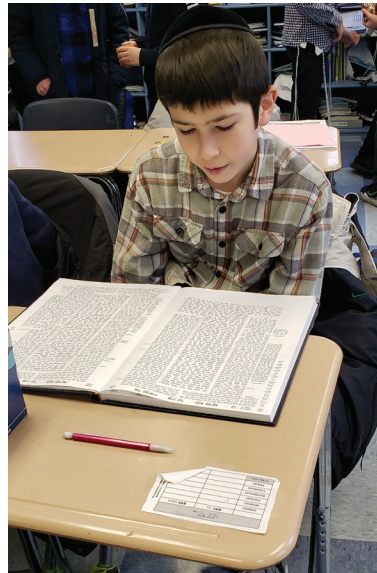
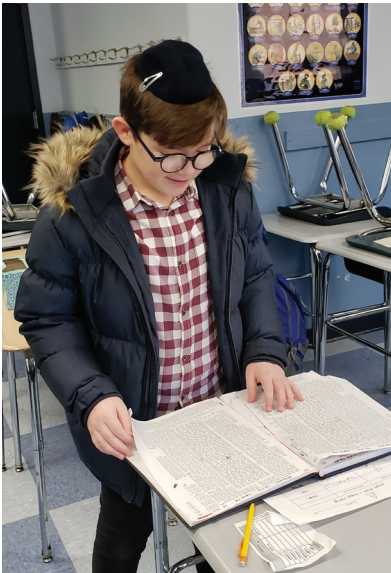
Izzy Golomb, Pre-1A
Avraham Peikes, 3rd grade
Yoni Mause, 6th grade

MAZEL TOV!

Mazel tov to Bentzi Weiss upon the birth of a nephew!



6th grade snow tubing trip! The trip was for a big *chazara* program where each boy reviewed all the *Gemara* they learned this year at least 5 times. The class as a whole reviewed the *Gemara* over 1200 times!



Yaakov Kirchner and Yosef Meir Grynheim chapping *arayn* another round of *chazara* during a class break!



Binyomin Lamstein learning how to do *kemitzah* in Rabbi Robinsons 5th grade class.



Dani Kohn choosing a grand prize that he won from the scratch-off ticket he earned.



Rabbi Plotzker teaching *pirush hamilim* for tefillah to the 8th graders.

Picture Day

This is a heads up that picture day will be on Monday, February 24th and Tuesday, February 25th, more details to follow. Please try not to schedule appointments for those days. Thank you.

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Family First

דברו אל כל עדת ישראל לאמר בעשר לחדש הזה ויקחו להם איש שה לבית אבת שה לבית

Speak to the whole community of Israel and say that on the tenth of this month each of them shall take a lamb to a family, a lamb to a household.

ויקרא משה לכל זקני ישראל ויאמר אלהם משכו וקחו לכם צאן למשפחתכם ושחטו הפסח

Moses then summoned all the elders of Israel and said to them, "Go, pick out lambs for your families, and slaughter the Passover offering.

והימים האלה נזכרים ונעשים בכל דור ודור משפחה ומשפחה מדינה ומדינה ועיר ועיר וימי הפורים האלה לא יעברו מתוך היהודים וזכרם לא יסוף מזרעם

Consequently, these days are recalled and observed in every generation: by every family, every province, and every city.

-Megilas Esther 9:28

תנו רבנן מצות חנוכה נר איש וביתו

The Sages taught in a *baraisa*: The basic *mitzva* of Hanukkah is each day to have a light kindled by a person, the head of the household, for himself and his household

-Shabbos 21b

The family is one of nature's masterpieces

-George Santayana

Amy Wax is a professor at the University of Pennsylvania Law school who found herself in a heap of trouble after she penned an op-ed in The Philadelphia Enquirer in which she extolled the virtues of the culture of 1950's America. In that opinion piece, Professor Wax pointed to a laundry list of societal ills that are directly tied to the breakdown of that culture. The values of that culture, in her words:

"Get married before you have children and strive to stay married for their sake. Get the education you need for gainful employment, work hard, and avoid idleness. Go the extra mile for your employer or client. Be a patriot, ready to serve the country. Be neighborly, civic-minded, and charitable. Avoid coarse language in public. Be respectful of authority. Eschew substance abuse and crime."

For taking the controversial position of advocating family values, and of tying the breakdown of society to the breakdown of those values, Wax was excoriated by the left-wing academic establishment and by her colleagues at the law school, and was barred from teaching her first-year law course. But, she is correct that family sits at the center of moral and virtuous life.

The Torah places great emphasis on family. The stories of *Bereishis* are essentially the stories of families. Even more profoundly, the critical points in our calendar year where we transmit the events, values, and ideals of our religious life are centered around family. Consider, for example, the Pesach seder. It is the basis of all of our faith as we transmit the experience of *Yetzias Mitzrayim* to the next generation. That experience takes place not in the *shul*, nor the *bais*

medrash, but in the context of families sitting down together at a festive table. That structure is by design, as the Torah instructs that the *korban Pesach* be a family affair. Likewise, the celebration of Purim, as described in the *megilah* and as played out in practice, and the celebration of Chanukah take place in the context of the family.

In the riveting book, *A River in Darkness*, Masaji Ishikawa recounts his harrowing experience growing up in and eventually escaping from North Korea. In the book, Ishikawa reveals a truth about all totalitarian regimes. Every totalitarian regime attempts to substitute the state for the family as the core component of society. Totalitarian regimes break up families and brainwash their citizenry to loyalty to the state instead of to the family. Cruelty, injustice, and repression can only survive where there is no family unit to combat it.

The family is the response to oppression and immorality. It is the beacon of light in an otherwise dark world. We need to appreciate the value of the family and the value of our own families. No matter how great the Yeshiva we send our children to may be, it can never take the place of the values learned in the home from the family.

The basic building block of a Torah society is the family. In our families we are taught values, we learn loyalty, we develop a sense of duty and commitment. Sometimes, we mistakenly believe that our Yeshiva system is a substitute for the family unit. It is a supplement, not a substitute.

*Good Shabbos,
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
Principal*



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 פֶּרֶשֶׁת בַּא

- 1) What was the first מִצְוָה given to בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל as a nation?
- 2) What is the Hebrew day and month of יְצִיאַת מִצְרַיִם?
- 3) What was the 9th מִכָּה?
- 4) Which מִצְוָה in this week's פֶּרֶשָׁה requires a סוֹפֵר, like Rabbi Shonek, to do?
- 5) What time did מִכַּת בְּכוֹרוֹת take place?
- 6) In מִצְרַיִם, where in the house was the blood of the קֶרֶבֶן פֶּסַח placed?

ROSH CHODESH WINNERS FROM טַבַּת

DANI ALEXANDER
C.T. EISENSTADT
YEHUDA GAMZEH
ELI STEIN

YOSEF SARAGOSSI
E. D. BALDINGER
ELIEZER SPIVAK
HILLEL HOOK



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שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום



This weeks program שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום is sponsored by



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are still available for sponsorship!

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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)

- ☐ 1st Grade – 5 פסוקים
- ☐ 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

Date	Hebrew Date	Parsha	Sponsorships
1/18	כא טבת	שמות	Sponsored
1/25	כח טבת	וּאֵרָא	Sponsored
2/8	יג שבט	בשלח	Sponsored
2/15	כ שבט	יתרו	Sponsored
2/22	כז שבט	משפטים	Sponsored
2/29	ד אדר	תרומה	
3/7	יא אדר	תצוה	Sponsored
3/14	יח אדר	כי תשא	Sponsored
3/21	כה אדר	ויקהל פקודי	
3/28	ג ניסן	ויקרא	
4/25	א אייר	תזריע - מצרע	
5/2	ח אייר	אחרי מות - קדושים	
5/16	כה אייר	בהר בחוקתי	
5/23	כט אייר	במדבר	Sponsored
6/6	יד סיון	נשא	
6/13	כא 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 845-362-8362 Ex. 122 or at pschwartz@ohrreuve.com

Tizku Lemitzvos and thank you for supporting the Matnas Shabbos program! A gutten Shabbos!



פרנס היום

Today's learning, tefillos
and shiurim are sponsored
I'zecher nishmas

דבורה רודיא
בת ר' משה ע"ה

By
Dr. & Mrs. Chanoch Lampert

זכות החזקת ישיבתינו
יעמוד להם שלא תמוש
התורה מפיהם ומפי זרעם
עד עולם ויתברכו בשפע
ברכה והצלחה
וכל מילי דמיטב



Dear Parents, עמו"ש

An acquaintance asked Rav Gamliel Rabinovich, a renowned *Mekubal* in *Yerushalayim*, for a ברכה on behalf of an ailing relative. Part of his response was to tell the family to have the children (and adults) make ברכות out loud because “ברכות bring ברכות”.

Each year, there is a community ברכות program where the children can claim a prize in different stores after making five ברכות out loud each day for a week. The obvious goal is to have the children learn the importance of ברכות and to accustom themselves to making ברכות out loud, enunciating each word. As in all facets of *chinuch*, the greatest impact on a child is when the mitzvah or *middah* permeates the atmosphere. To this end, we are imploring all parents to help create this atmosphere at home. This “atmosphere” can be created by doing the following:

- Make ברכות out loud.
- Have your children answer אמן to **your** ברכות in addition to your answering אמן to their ברכות.
- When possible, make a ברכה אחרונה out loud. On שבת sing the benching with your children

By creating a “ברכות atmosphere” in your home, Hashem will אי"ה send His ברכות to you and your family.

Please email outloudbrachos@gmail.com for any questions regarding the program

Sincerely yours,

Machzikei Torah
Zichron Yitzhak



מחזיקי תורה
זכרון יצחק

LEARNING PROGRAM

Erev Shabbos & Shabbos



ALL
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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 MARCH 26

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 March 16th 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 Thursday, March 26

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:

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