



OHR REUVEN **אור ראובן**
YESHIVA KETANA

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, September 13, 2020

First Day Of Selichos.

Grades 1-8 Sessions begin at 10 AM.

Acadience Reading Testing begins for grades P-3 Kodesh, P-5 General Studies.

Monday, September 14 2020

~~Back to School Night~~
Info will be shared when available

**TO BE
RESCHEDULED**

Friday, September 18-20, 2020

No Sessions

Erev Rosh Hashana

Monday, September 21, 2020

Tzom Gedalia

Early Dismissal: K@12 PM,

P-8 @1 PM

Sunday, September 27, 2020

Erev Yom Kippur

No Sessions

Sunday, September 28, 2020

Yom Kippur

No Sessions

IMPORTANT NOTES

Sometimes yeshivawide emails go to a spam or junk folder. If you haven't been getting yeshiva emails, please check your junk folder and mark NOT JUNK. If you have any question, please email sshucht@ohrreuven.com.

REUVEN REVIEW

YOUR WINDOW INTO THE WORLD OF YESHIVA KETANA OHR REUVEN

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כ"א אלול תש"פ

פרשת נצבים-וילך

**Welcome to all the New students and families at
Yeshiva Ketana Ohr Reuven!**

**Welcome to the new staff members at Yeshivas Ketana
Ohr Reuven!**

**Miss Shirel Salvay (Pre-school), Miss Minga Bessler (Pre-school)
and Miss Esti Schwartz (5th Grade)**

**Rosh HaYeshiva and Sgan Rosh HaYeshiva, visiting our talmidim in
their classrooms and welcoming them to the new school year!**



Please Note: Back To School Night

Back to school Night will not be as planned, We will notify you when it is/ how we will be doing it. It will ly'h be done remotely. Thank you.

**Thank you to
the N'shei for
sponsoring
the ices by nit
checking!**



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From Kindergarten to Kollel and Beyond!
Yeshiva Ketana | Mesivta | Beis Medrash | Kollel | Alumni



Shlomo Bessler's Bar Mitzva in Yeshiva!



8th graders in their group learning/ station rotation!



Mrs. Leibovic's 5th graders using the outdoors for a gallery walk!



Pre 1A boys learning about the Mitzvah of writing a Sefer Torah. The boys used edible markers and wrote on a "klaf"!



PARENT FEEDBACK

"My son came home from school today and announced that he is the luckiest and has the best Rabbi in the whole school! I have never seen him so happy coming home from school! Thanks for giving my son such an amazing first two days!"

"Thanks for sharing the picture! My son seems to be off to a great start. He told me he is looking forward to making friends and that "the kids in this school seem more like my type." He also told me he is enjoying his rebbe, and that "I like his teaching style." Looking forward to a great year IYH :)"

"My son and I have never felt more welcome. Several mothers have already reached out and I feel so fortunate to be part of such a warm and welcoming community."

"Mrs.Eisenstadt from the N'Shei reached out a couple of days ago. And as Moishy commented today, "Everyone is so nice!"

PLEASE SHARE WITH US! Please email share any Mazel Tov information to reuvenreview@ohrreuven.com!

MAZEL TOV!

Mazel tov to the Rosh HaYeshiva and Rebetzin on the birth of a granddaughter! Mazel tov to the parents Rabbi & Mrs. Yitzchok and Pessie Drillman on the birth of a new baby girl!

Mazel tov to Shlomo Bessler, Chaim Hershkowitz and Shneur Kurkus upon their bar mitzvahs!

Mazel tov to Mrs. Nechama Weitz upon the birth of a granddaughter!

Mazel tov to Mrs. Feige Bessler upon her son's bar mitzvah!

Mazel tov to Rabbi Myski upon his son's bar mitzvah!

MEALS PROGRAMS

If you are interested in breakfast (6-8) or lunch programs, but have not yet signed up, please send in a meals program form as soon as possible. The form can be found online in the FORMS section under the PARENT RESOURCES tab on www.ohrreuen.com/elementary. If you have any questions about the breakfast or lunch programs, please contact the Business Office at businessoffice@ohrreuen.com or 845.362.8362, ex 108.



Please note: If signing up late, it may take a few days for the lists to be updated so please do not assume that your son will be on the list for meals until you have received a confirmation email from the business office. Thank you!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! (INCLUDED ARE THE SUMMER B'DAYS!)

Chaim Gavriel Babani , Dovid Czertok, Sholom Sachs ,Avraham Haas,Yoel Weisberg, Malkiel Gutmacher, Tuvia Bloom, Efraim Brand, Coby Spitz, Nachi Kohn. Gavriel Silber, Moshe Kapolovitz, Menachem Yisroel Breningstall, Chaim Cohn, Moshe Gruen, Daniel Haas, Meir Rubin, Eli Rubin, Mordechai Rubin, Pinny Reichmann, Menachem Tepper, Shimon Wincelberg, Yaakove Aryeh Karash, Yitzchok Elchonon Light, Yosef Warum, Hillel Frankel, Moshe Lampert, Binyamin Lamstein, Tzvi Neuhauser, Yaakov Gavriel Voss, Eli Fine, Dovi Friedman, Shuly Salamon, Asher Singer, Aharon Eliyahu Tenenbaum, Yossi Warum, Shloimy Goldstein, Chaim Gavriel Hershkovich, Arye Wincetowsky, Betzalel Yehudah Beller, Shlomo Bessler, Shmuel Katz, Shneur Kurkus, Zvi Deutsch, Aryeh Genack, Yehuda Peikes, Eliezer Yehuda Spivak, Bentzion Steinman, Sammy Walden and Moshe Brachfeld!



IT'S SO NICE TO HAVE THE TALMIDIM BACK!

LOST & FOUND- PLEASE LABEL YOUR ITEMS!

The Yeshiva Ketana's lost and found is located on a table near the Yeshiva Ketana's shul/lunchroom. Please remember to label all personal belongings- the labels may not be able to prevent the items from getting lost, but may help them be returned to you if they are found. Thank you!

BUS ROUTE INFO/DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION NUMBERS

The following are the phone numbers of the school districts responsible for providing transportation:

East Ramapo Central School District: (845) 577-6490
Suffern Central School District: (845) 357-7783 ext.227
North Rockland Central School District: (845) 942-3000



The following are the phone numbers of the bus companies contracted by East Ramapo Central School District.

Chestnut Ridge Buses 845-735-2200 for route numbers 1-199
Chestnut Ridge Vans 845-425-2200 for route numbers 200-299
Student Bus Co. 845-501-7300 for route numbers 300-3990

נצבים Anchoring

וְהָיָה בְּשִׁמְעוֹ אֶת דְּבָרֵי הָאֱלֹהִים הַזֵּאת וְהִתְבָּרַךְ בְּלִבּוֹ לֵאמֹר שְׁלוֹם יִהְיֶה לִּי כִּי בִשְׁרָרוֹת לִבִּי אֶלֶף לִמְעַן סְפוֹת הָרֶחֶק אֶת הַצִּמָּאָה:

When such a one hears the words of these sanctions, he may fancy himself immune, thinking, “I shall be safe, though I follow my own willful heart”—to the utter ruin of moist and dry alike.

ופירוש למען ספות הרורה את הצמאה להוסיף השבעה עם המתאוה כי נפש שבעה תקרא רוח כענין וריתי נפש הכהנים דשן **תהלים סג**) והמתאוה תקרא צמאה צמאה לך נפשי (שם פסוק יא) והיתה נפשם כגן רוח ([ירמיהו לא יג](#)) ועמי את טובי ישבעו והטעם כי נפש האדם הרורה שאיננה מתאוה לדברים הרעים לה כאשר תבא בלבו קצת התאוה והוא ימלא תאוותו אז יוסיף **ב** בנפשו תאוה יתירה ותהיה צמאה מאד לדבר ההוא שאכל או שעשה יותר מבראשונה ותתאוה עוד לדברים רעים שלא היתה מתאוה להם מתחלה

The meaning of “Thereby adding the watered on to the thirsty” is to add satiety to desire. A satiated individual is called “watered” as in, “I shall water the souls of the *kohanim* and fatten them and my nation shall be satiated with my goodness,” or “and their souls shall be like a watered garden.” One who is gripped by desire is called “thirsty” as in, “My soul thirsts for you.” The explanation is that the human soul that is satiated and does not desire things that are bad for it, when one gets in his mind a slight desire and he fulfills that desire that will increase within him greater desire and he will become very thirsty for that thing that he ate or that he did even greater than before. He will then desire other bad things that he had no desire for them before.

-Ramba”n

I have learned to seek my happiness by limiting my desires, rather than in attempting to satisfy them.

-John Stuart Mill

Many of us have spent a lifetime acquiring a taste for the finer things. We may have a favorite restaurant, a particular coffee place we frequent, a preferred sushi place, and a selection of fine cuts of meat we enjoy. We delight in sharing those favorites with family and friends, and in raising our children to appreciate and acquire a taste for these finer things. But, when you foster cravings and then attempt to satisfy them, you sometimes discover that you have ignited a fire that you cannot control and cannot quench.

The Ramba”n, in an absolutely brilliant encapsulation of the thought of *Chaza”l* on human desire, explains that Moshe warned the Jewish people of the danger of fueling those desires. As he explains, when one becomes driven to the smallest indulgence and chooses to satisfy that craving, rather than resolving, the craving becomes even greater. More so, when one satisfies that one craving, he develops cravings for other things that he never would have desired before. The solution, in the Ramban’s perspective and by extension the perspective of *Chaza”l*, is not to feed the desire, but to starve it. Rather than fuel the fire, the sensible solution is to let it burn out and die on its own.

The Ramba”n lays out an important principle for adults, but it

is an even more vital principle for child-rearing. Parents have the incredible power to set the bar for their children’s wants, desires, and cravings. We control the exposures they have, the experiences they encounter, and the tastes they acquire as they grow up. There is a great temptation to expose our children to all the pleasures of the finer things in life we have come to enjoy, especially if we are blessed with the finances to support those habits. What we fail to realize is that we are fueling the fire of desire in our children and setting them up not for joy, but for the misery of a never-ending quest for the latest and greatest that will top what they have taken for granted growing up.

When we raise children to have simple tastes, desire simple things, and to be happy with little, we do them two favors. First, we raise them to be capable of being happy whether they have little or they have a lot. They are primed to be happy in life no matter what their financial future may hold. Raising kids to believe that the key to happiness is to have more expensive stuff and do costlier things primes them for misery if they cannot sustain a high-income lifestyle when they grow up.

Second, exposing children when they are young to an endless

variety of pleasures, experiences, activities and tastes leaves very little room for their own exploration and discovery. Human beings by nature like to find new things. We are victim to what psychologists refer to as sensory adaptation, where the same things that once excited our senses have a diminishing effect the more one is exposed to them (think alcohol or drugs where the addict needs an ever increasing hit to get the same result). If we set the sensory floor for our children very high, we leave little room for them to find the new and exciting in the realm of the permissible and healthy. We put our kids at risk for all sorts of trouble when we leave them with nothing left to discover but trouble.

This Ramba"n and the principle he lays out should be in the back of our minds whenever we plan family vacations, restaurant outings, parties, Yom Tov and Chol Hamoed trips, and all other types of excitement and entertainment. We can still show our children a good time. But the key is moderation, enough moderation to leave them enough that is safe to discover and enjoy as they go out on their own. They will be happier, and you will too.

*Good Shabbos,
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
Principal*

Family Name: _____

Address: _____



MEALS FORM YESHIVAS OHR REUVEN 2020-2021

MEALS PROGRAMS

BREAKFAST-Yeshiva Ketana Grades 6-8 (Breakfast is included in the Mesivta and Bais Medrash fees): The Breakfast Program includes milk, a variety of cereals, bread, cream cheese and prepared hot food (either pancakes or eggs). Milk is provided daily free of charge for all students who want to bring cereal from home.

LUNCH- All divisions: Meals are provided by Continental Kosher Catering under the hashgacha of Rabbi Yechiel Steinmetz, shlit"a.

SUPPER- Mesivta and Beis Medrash: Suppers are provided by Ephi's Catering under the hashgacha of Rabbi Yitzchok Heimowitz of Yeshiva Shaarei Torah. *For students in grades 9-12 who are not in dorm, supper is only served on days that the Mesivta has regular English sessions. Dorm Meal Option (F) supper is served all days, even those when there are no regular English sessions.

The costs for the meals programs may vary depending on the division and grade.

Please make sure to select the appropriate meal plan from the chart below.

Plan	Meal	Division/Grades	Price*
A	Breakfast	Yeshiva Ketana/Grades 6-8 (Mon-Fri)	\$400
B	Lunch	Yeshiva Ketana/Grades K-8 (Mon-Thurs)	\$680
C	Lunch	Mesivta, Dorm & Beis Medrash/All Grades (Sun-Thurs)	\$965
D	Supper	Mesivta/Grade 9 (Mon, Wed, & Thurs)	\$870
E	Supper	Mesivta/Grades 10-12 (Mon-Thurs)	\$1,150
F	Supper	Mesivta, Dorm & Beis Medrash/All Grades (Sun-Thurs)	\$1,640

*These prices are based on information available from the caterers at this time. If there will be significant price increases, the costs for the meals plans may need to be adjusted. If this happens, the Business Office will be in touch with you with details.

Meal Plan	Student's Name	Grade	Amount
TOTAL:			

CHOOSE YOUR PAYMENT OPTION:

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CHECK enclosed for the **total amount** due.

(Payable to Yeshivas Ohr Reuven and dated by August 24, 2020.)

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FACTS authorized to make **two equal payments** for the total amount due on August 24, 2020 and February 1, 2021.

Please do not assume that your child will be added to any of the meal lists until you get an email confirmation from the school's Business Office.

Refunds will be pro-rated. If you have questions about any of the meals programs, please contact the Business Office at businessoffice@ohrreuven.com or 845.362.8362, 108.

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

In order for your son to be on the lists for the first week of school, please return your completed form to the Business Office by Monday, August 24, 2020.