



YESHIVA KETANA OHR REUVEN

Dear Yeshiva Ketana Ohr Reuven Family, שיחיו

Please enjoy the Reuven Review, highlights Parenting In The Parsha, and more!

Have a wonderful *Shabbos*!

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Covid Test Reminder

In order to resume yeshiva in person on Monday you need to submit your covid test results to mail@ohrreuven.com with "Covid Test Results" in the subject line.

Testing is available even if someone did not pre register they are welcome to come.

[Click Here for a PDF version of the Reuven Review, Parenting in the Parsha, and more!](#)

Zoom Schedule for Sunday, October 18th

Grades 1-8 9:30-10:30 and 11:00-12:00.

Looking forward to greeting all talmidim on Monday.

MAZEL TOV!

Mazel tov to **Mrs. Levinger** (Director of Special Services, Yeshiva Ketana) upon her daughters engagement!

Mazel tov to **Mrs. Weitz** upon the birth of a grandson!

Mazel tov to **Miri Schwartz** (preschool) upon her engagement!

Mazel tov **Kovi Gilden** upon his bar mitzvah!

Mazel tov **Daniel Peikes** upon his bar mitzvah!

Mazel tov **Chanoch Book** on his *hanochas tefillin*!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Hashi Reichmann, Kindergarten

Zorach Dovid Schneid, Pre-1A

Natan Yitzchok Kahana, Pre-1A

Yehuda Idel Balsam, 1st grade

Avraham Hellman, 1st grade

Meir Leib Muntner, 1st grade

Shalom Adler, 3rd grade

Akiva Kahana, 3rd grade

Yehudah Leib Nadav, 4th grade

Baruch Simcha Leibovic, 5th grade

Aryeh Kahn, 5th grade

Levi Tenenbaum, 6th grade

Yeshaya Simcha Vilinsky, 6th grade

Yonah Coren, 7th grade

Yisroel Yonah Feiner, 8th grade



**Some of Yeshiva
Ketana talmidim
celebrating zman
simchaseinu with a
smile!!**

(if you would like to and
didn't not yet send in a
picture, please
email to [pictures@ohrreuv
en.com](mailto:pictures@ohrreuv
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PARENT FEEDBACK

"Rabbi Myski helped pinny celebrate his birthday in such a unique zoom way. Pinny was grinning from ear to ear. It was so kind of him!"

"We just want to thank you, and the entire hanhallah, as we hear there will be a closure, for a wonderful beginning of the year, and truly valiant efforts to keep the Yeshiva open.

We have tremendous hakaras hatov for all the incredible work put into keeping everyone as safe as possible, our boys have had a terrific beginning B"H.

We look forward to reopening in person as soon as possible, but please know that all the hard work is very much appreciated!"

"A tremendous thank you once again for the yeshiva's diligent implementation of covid precautions and the transparent policy of keeping parents aware of the situation.

Additionally, a great yasher koach for the seamless transition to remote learning, allowing our boys to continue to learn within a structured framework. May we hear besoros tovos and yeshuos for all."



בראשית

Truth or Consequence

וַיִּקְרָא אֱלֹהִים לְאוֹר יוֹם וְלַחֹשֶׁךְ קָרָא לַיְלָה וַיְהִי עֶרֶב וַיְהִי בֹקֶר יוֹם אֶחָד: (פ)

G-d called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, day one.

וַיִּקְרָא אֱלֹהִים לְאוֹר יוֹם, אָמַר רַבִּי אֶלְעָזָר לַעֲוֹלָם אֵין הַקְדוּשׁ בְּרֹךְ הוּא מְיַחֵד שְׁמוֹ עַל הַרְעָה אֵלָּא עַל הַטּוֹבָה, וַיִּקְרָא אֱלֹהִים

לְאוֹר יוֹם וְלַחֹשֶׁךְ קָרָא אֱלֹהִים לַיְלָה אֵין כְּתִיב כֹּאן, אֵלָּא וְלַחֹשֶׁךְ קָרָא לַיְלָה.

And God called the light day' - said Rabbi Eleazar: The Holy One of Blessing never unites His name to evil, only to goodness: it is not written 'and Hashem called the light day; and the darkness Hashem called night'; rather, [it is written] 'and the darkness, called night.'

-Bereishis Rabbah 3,6

At every step the child should be allowed to meet the real experience of life; the thorns should never be plucked from his roses.

-Ellen Key

Parenting advice is rife with clichés like “parenting is not a popularity contest,” or “you don’t need your kids to like you, but to respect you.” Tropes like these have some value for parents who are afraid to rebuke or discipline their children for fear of being disliked, but they are a far oversimplification of the complex nuances of parenting. You do need your kids to like you, and, more importantly, you need your kids to know you like them. But, you also need to parent your children, to correct them when they are doing wrong, and to dole out consequences for their actions when appropriate and necessary. It is in the proper balance of these two needs wherein lies the secret to good parenting. But how?

Let’s look at a perplexing *midrash* on this week’s *parsha*. The *midrash*, picking up on the subtlety of the *passuk*, notes that Hashem takes ownership of the creation of light, but does not sign His name to the creation and naming of darkness. It is as though G-d is trying to hide and pretend that it was not He who created the darkness, a preposterous notion. I am willing to bet that you were as clever as I in figuring out Who actually named the darkness.

But, what the *passuk* is trying to teach us as the *midrash* picks up on, is how G-d balances His role as our Father and also our King, how He manages both the positive and the negative responses to our actions. What the *midrash* is telling us is that Hashem created a world that runs on basic laws and rules that He put in place from the outset. Those laws and rules include the consequences of our actions, both positive ones for good actions and negative ones for bad actions. In distancing Himself from darkness and bad, G-d is sending a message that He does not relish doling out negative consequences, but that negative consequences are simply an inevitable and natural result of our actions. When our actions lead to negative consequences, Hashem sympathizes with us and feels our pain, but He does not step in to stop those natural consequences for they are how we learn and improve. The same is not true regarding positive consequences. When we do good

and deserve reward, Hashem takes great joy in handing out those rewards and He personally doles out the positive results of our good actions.

That is the secret to good parenting. We need to set systems and structures in place so that our children will feel the negative consequences of negative actions. But, when the imposition of those consequences becomes necessary, we need to distance ourselves from them as much as we can. We must sympathize and empathize with our children. We must comfort and console them as they face the negative consequences of bad decisions and actions. But, we must also be careful to make sure that we don’t step in to stop those consequences. Our tone with our children needs to be sincere when we convey “I am so sorry that this happened to you, and that you have to suffer like this, but it’s really not in my hands. You did what you did and these are simply the consequences for it.” While we do that, we are not only not angry, but genuinely sympathetic and supportive, helping the child to mitigate the negative effects of his consequence and helping him strategize how to avoid such a result in the future.

By contrast, when we have the opportunity to recognize and reward good behavior, we need to embrace it fully, to claim responsibility for the reward doled out, and revel in the opportunity to confer that reward. In those cases, ours should be a tone expressing “how thrilled I am in being able to give you this reward.” Name that reward and name yourself in giving it.

If we can make sure that our children’s unwanted consequences are consistently imposed but still stand on their side of the issue when those consequences come down, and we can invest ourselves fully in rewarding our children for the good that they do, then we are always on their side, always sympathetic, and always popular and liked by them. Strike that balance correctly and you’ll have children who like you precisely because you are raising them to be healthy, functional human beings.

Good Shabbos,
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
Principal

This weeks שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום program
is sponsored in honor of

Rabbi Rawicki & Rabbi Gottlieb

who are tirelessly working throughout this
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the wonderful chinuch and education that
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First

Last

Name of תלמיד (Please Print Clearly)

!!WEEKLY PRIZES!!

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 – 50 פסוקים

My son completed שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום for
this פרשה in the amount specified for his class.

☐ **Bonus: Did double the grade required amount!**

Parent's signature

בס"ד

דשמחת בהגדר
דהיית אר שמח



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SMILE



Please email to: pictures@ohrreuven.com

1 picture (only)

of your son/s performing the sukkos mitzvohs –
Shaking lulav, sitting in a סוכה, helping build the סוכה

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bulletin board with them after Sukkos.



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- [Yeshiva Ketana Parent Handbook](#)
- [Meals Program Enrollment Form](#)
- [Yeshiva Ketana Calendar](#) (password 5781)

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