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YESHIVA KETANA

UPCOMING EVENTS

Motzei Shabbos, October 31, 2020

Move the clock back 1 hour 

Tuesday, November 3, 2020

Regular ER & NR
Transportation, No Suffern
Central Transportation

Wednesday, November 11, 2020

Legal Holiday- Early Dismissal
K-8 @ 3 PM

Thursday, November 26, 2020

Legal Holiday- No
Transportation, Dismissal:
K- P @ 12 PM, 1-8 1 PM

Friday, November 27, 2020

Regular ER Transportation,
No Suffern Central & North
Rockland Transportation

IMPORTANT NOTES

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REUVE REVIEW

YOUR WINDOW INTO THE WORLD OF YESHIVA KETANA OHR REUVEN

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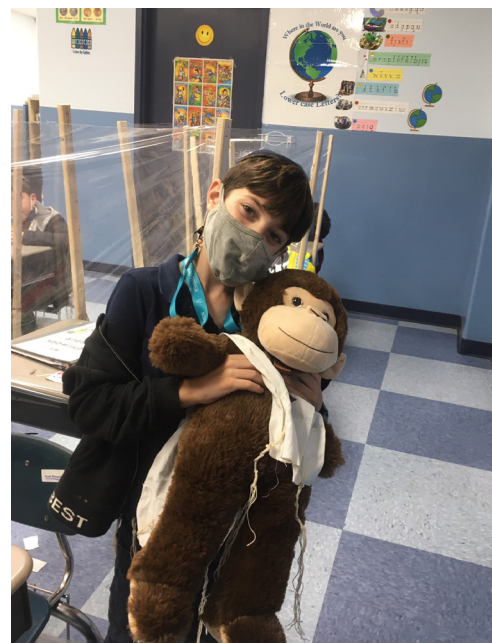
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יב חשון תשפ"א

פרשת לך לך



Learning pods in Mrs. Radzik's first grade!



Beary Bears best student is Yosef Mayerfeld in 1st grade!



Chanoch Book's Bar Mitzvah seudah in yeshiva!

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During the Aseres Yimei Teshuva, Rabbi Brodie and Rabbi Plotzker discussed with grades 6-8 the importance of making a kabbalah, accepting upon ourselves an area to improve in.



The talmidim were encouraged to make their own kabbalah with the added incentive of a pizza party after Sukkos for those still keeping their kabbalah.

Last week, Rabbi Brodie and Rabbi Plotzker went around to check up and were thrilled to see that most talmidim were still going strong! Rabbi Brodie mentioned that those who stopped, can of course restart and build for the future.

The Pizza Party was this past Thursday, October 29th. But wait! We are not done yet! There will be a fleishig seudah on Chanukah for those still keeping their kabbolos! We are so proud of our talmidim!

PARENT FEEDBACK

"I wanted to tell Rabbi Lowy how happy our son is in his class. He really likes limudei kodesh that "he has the best Rabbi and he makes learning easy to understand."- those were his words. Thank you for your expertise so far. We really appreciate it."

"We just have to say how impressed we are with the Yeshiva's Shivisi Hashem program. We overheard Mordy telling his siblings "Boruch Hashem we have such awesome parents that let us move the couches together to make a fort!" Thank you to Rabbi Weissman for making this idea relatable to the boys. Boruch Hashem we send Mordy to such a fantastic yeshiva!"

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Elkanah Chaim Berkowitz, 4th grade
Dovid Todris Benjamin, 4th grade
Shimon Dahan, 7th grade
Moshe Newhouse, 8th grade

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

Reminder: please have your son bring his own water bottle to yeshiva. There is a water machine that the boys use to refill their bottles when needed. Thank you!



Moshe Newhouse's Hanochas tefillin in Yeshiva two weeks ago!

לך לך

The Joy of Sacrifice

וּבֶן שְׁמֹנֶת יָמִים יְמוּל לָכֵם כָּל זָכָר לְדֹרֹתֵיכֶם יָלִיד בֵּית וּמִקֵּנָה כֶּסֶף מְכַל בֶּן נֹכַר אֲשֶׁר לֹא מִזֶּרְעְךָ הוּא:

And throughout the generations, every male among you shall be circumcised at the age of eight days. As for the home-born slave and the one bought from an outsider who is not of your offspring

תִּנָּא, רַבִּי שְׁמַעוֹן בֶּן גַּמְלִיאֵל אוֹמֵר: כָּל מִצְוָה שֶׁקִּיבְלוּ עֲלֵיהֶם בְּשִׁמְחָה, כְּגוֹן מִילָה, דְּכַתִּיב: שֵׁשׁ אֲנָכִי עַל אִמְרָתְךָ כְּמוֹצֵא שְׁלָל רַב עֲדִיין עוֹשִׂין אוֹתָהּ בְּשִׁמְחָה

Apropos affection for the mitzva of circumcision, the Gemara cites a baraita in which it was taught that Rabban Shimon ben Gamliel says: Every mitzva that the Jews initially accepted upon themselves with joy, such as circumcision, as it is written: “I rejoice at Your word as one who finds great spoil,” they still perform it with joy.

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It was taught in a baraita that Rabbi Shimon ben Elazar says in praise of the observance of the mitzva of circumcision: Any mitzva for which the Jews sacrificed their lives at the time of the decrees of the wicked empire, such as the prohibition of idolatry and the mitzva of circumcision, is still steadfastly observed.

-Shabbos 130a

If there's one thing I've learned in my years on this planet, it's that the happiest and most fulfilled people are those who devoted themselves to something bigger and more profound than merely their own self-interest.

-John Glenn

A number of years ago, I read a comment by a Jewish mother who was not affiliated with Orthodox Judaism regarding *bris milah*. She stated that she would not give her son a *bris* at eight days of age as is the tradition because she thought it cruel to modify her child's body without his input and consent. She was not against *milah*, but simply opposed to performing the *bris* on an infant incapable of understanding and consent. Her plan was to wait until her son matured enough to be asked if he wanted a *bris* or not.

While her approach is certainly foreign to our conception of *bris milah*, it provoked some thought as to why we this *mitzvah* is so different from all other *mitzvos*. The normal rule is that *mitzvos* require intent and focus, neither of which are present in an eight-day old child. And, while one will contend that in the *mitzvah* of *milah*, the child is not the subject, but merely the object to which the *mitzvah* is done, that simply begs the question as to why this *mitzvah* was not given in the same way it was originally given to Avraham, where he was both subject and object. Why shouldn't the child be given the opportunity to consent to the *mitzvah*?

I believe that *milah* as commanded becomes an important model for the *chinuch* of our children. The act of *milah* is an incredible act of sacrifice on the part of the parents. When a baby is born, delicate, fragile, and precious, his mother and father will do anything to protect him from harm. The parents need to subdue that protective instinct in order to subject their newborn son to the knife of the *mohel*.

Interestingly enough, the *gemara* describes *milah* as a *mitzvah* associated with self-sacrifice, but also a *mitzvah* associated

with joy. That is no mere coincidence. Contrary to popular perception, the key to happiness in life is not to avoid self-sacrifice, but to embrace it. Ironically, foregoing the pursuit of one's own happiness in order to chase down happiness for others will bring the pursuer joy and satisfaction. The *mitzvah* of *milah* embodies the concept of foregoing one's instinct for self-protection and preservation in favor of sacrificing of oneself for a greater cause.

That is a difficult concept for people to grasp, and a near-impossible one for a child. Children believe the key to their happiness lies in taking. It is our job as parents and educators to raise our children to self-sacrifice for the sake of the world and for our children's sake.

I do not know whether the above-mentioned woman ever did ask her son if he wanted a *bris*, and, if she did, I have no idea what he responded, but it's difficult to imagine that a child would have the maturity to place self-sacrifice ahead of self-preservation. That is not for our children to have naturally. It is for us to build within them, to raise them to self-sacrifice and to looking not at what others can do for them, but what they can do for others.

Essentially, the *bris* is the first *mitzvah* of *chinuch* we perform. The first lesson we teach our newborn son, and by extension the first lesson we teach ourselves about child-rearing is that our job is not to ask our children if they wish to engage in self-sacrifice, but it is for us to bring them to that noble cause.

Good Shabbos,
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
Principal



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שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום



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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

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 לך לך

- 1) What was the name of אֶבְרָהָם אַבְיִנו's nephew/brother-in-law that travelled with them to כְּנָעַן?
- 2) How old was אֶבְרָהָם אַבְיִנו when he travelled to כְּנָעַן?
- 3) When אֶבְרָהָם אַבְיִנו arrived in כְּנָעַן there was a famine. Which country did he then travel to to get food?
- 4) A tremendous war takes place in this week's פֶּרֶשָה. How many kings were on each side of the war?
- 5) When אֶבְרָהָם אַבְיִנו went to go join the battle, what was the name of his slave that he took with him?
- 6) How old was אֶבְרָהָם אַבְיִנו when he had his בְּרִית מִלָּה?

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בעזרת ה' ברוך ה'
אם ירצה ה' חסדי ה'

Check off each time you use one of these expressions in a sentence.

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2)	7)
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4)	9)
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Flu Information for Parents

What is the flu?

Flu is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses that infect the nose, throat, and lungs. Flu viruses cause illness, hospital stays and deaths in the United States each year.

How serious is the flu?

Flu illness can vary from mild to severe. While the flu can be serious even in kids who are healthy, it can be especially dangerous for young children and children of any age who have certain long-term health problems.

What are the symptoms of the flu?

Symptoms of the flu can include:

- Fever* or feeling feverish/chills
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Runny or stuffy nose
- Muscle or body aches
- Headaches
- Fatigue (tiredness)
- Some people may have vomiting and diarrhea, though this is more common in children than adults.

* It's important to note that not everyone with flu will have a fever.

Protect your child

The first and best way to protect against flu is to get a yearly flu vaccine for yourself and your child.

Ask your health care provider which flu vaccine is right for your child.

- Everyone 6 months of age and older should get a flu vaccine by the end of October, if possible.
- Children 6 months through 8 years of age may need either 1 or 2 doses of vaccine.
- Children younger than 6 months are at high risk of serious flu illness, but are too young to be vaccinated. Parents, siblings, and people who care for infants should be vaccinated instead.

In addition to getting a flu vaccine, you and your child should take everyday actions to help prevent the spread of germs.

- Stay away from people who are sick, cover your cough and sneezes, wash your hands often with soap and water, do not touch your eyes, nose, and mouth, and clean and disinfect surfaces and objects that may be contaminated with flu viruses.

If your child is sick

What can I do if my child gets sick?

Talk to your doctor right away if you are worried about your child's illness.

- Make sure your child gets plenty of rest and drinks enough fluids. If your child is at high risk for flu complications, call your doctor or take them to the doctor right away if they develop flu symptoms.
- If your child becomes sick with flu illness, CDC recommends that they stay home for at least 24 hours after their fever is gone. (The fever should be gone without the use of a fever-reducing medicine.) A fever is defined as 100°F (37.8°C)* or higher.

*Many authorities use either 100 (37.8 degrees Celsius) or 100.4 F (38.0 degrees Celsius) as a cut-off for fever, but this number can vary depending on factors such as the method of measurement and the age of the person.

Is there medicine to treat the flu?

Yes. Antiviral drugs are prescription medicines that can be used to treat flu illness. They can make people feel better and get better sooner. Antivirals can mean the difference between having milder illness instead of very serious illness that could result in a hospital stay. These drugs can be given to children and pregnant women.



For more information, visit

www.cdc.gov/flu/protect/children.htm

or call 800-CDC-INFO

#FIGHT FLU



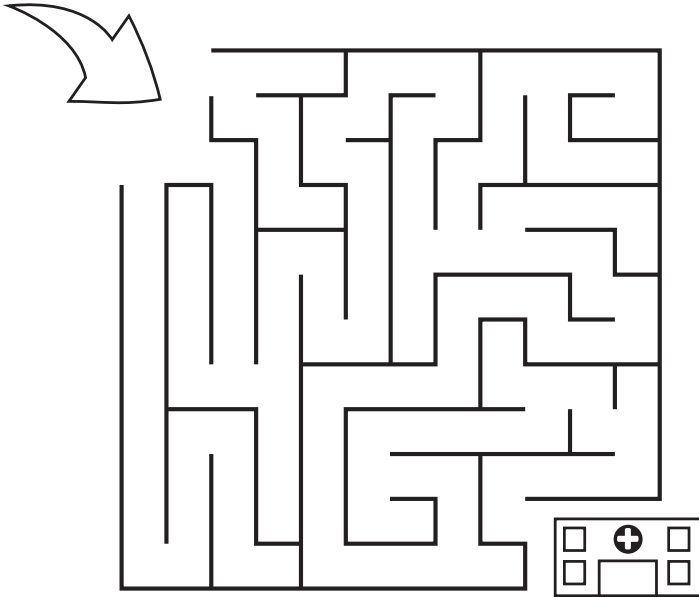
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Centers for Disease
Control and Prevention

FIGHT FLU

People most often get flu in the fall and winter. Getting your flu vaccine is the best way to protect yourself from getting sick. Learn more about flu with the activities below.

Doctor Office Maze

Follow the maze to get to the doctor's office.

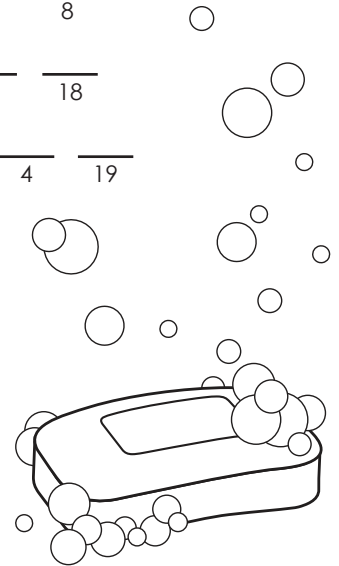


Secret Message

Decode the secret message for one step to take to help prevent the flu.

23 1 19 8
25 15 21 18
8 1 14 4 19

KEY	7-G	14-N	21-U
1-A	8-H	15-O	22-V
2-B	9-I	16-P	23-W
3-C	10-J	17-Q	24-X
4-D	11-K	18-R	25-Y
5-E	12-L	19-S	26-Z
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Flu Word Search

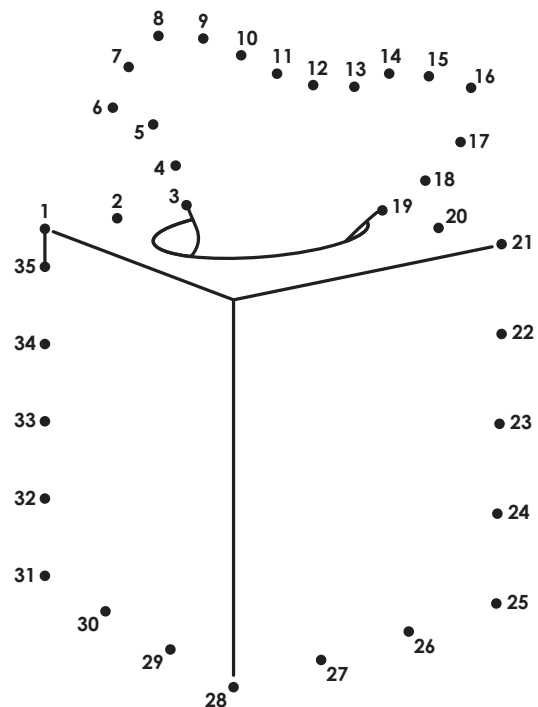
Find all of the flu words below. The words can be across, down, or even diagonal.

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K K O H I Q E H Y Z F L U
C H H P C C G H A R F M V
W E J S T U F F Y U E L C
V A M F O F Z U C V P S P
M D O C B T F O G E P H T
Q A H Z P S N E E Z E T D
U C P S C J V T V G A K L
Q H N I I R I V P E U F J
H E Q X D C E E W B R V V
J P K E L D K M K K O A M
T Y P V G E R M S I F M T

COUGH	FEVER	FLU
GERMS	HEADACHE	REST
SHOT	SICK	SNEEZE
STUFFY		

Connect the dots

Connect the dots to find a tissue box.



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{ the second Monday of ב"ב }

Please join us in this day of *tefillah* and introspection as we unite to request *rachamei Shamayim* at a time when there are many challenges to *Klal Yisroel* in *ruchniyus* and *gashmiyus*.

Batei Knesses: We ask *minyanim* to add *Avinu Malkeinu* and *Tehillim kapitlach* יג, קל, קכא, ב, after *Shacharis*.

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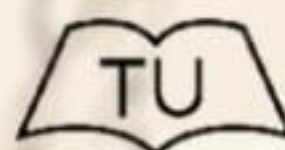
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Tinokos shel beis raban: Rebbeim and teachers should please explain to their classes the need for *tefillah* and join together with children from across the nation to say *Tehillim kapitlach* יג, קל, קכא, ב, followed by *אחינו כל בית ישראל*, to be said *b'rov am*. (Call-in numbers and schedules will be provided for yeshivas and Bais Yaakovs.)

Each individual should have special *kavanah* in his *tefillos*, asking *Hakadosh Baruch Hu* for *refuos* and *yeshuos* for *Klal Yisroel*.



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Call-In Numbers: 319.527.4510 774.298.9022 857.314.9244

Session #1:

For Eastern & Central Times:
11:00 am EST/10:00 am CST

Session #2:

For Mountain & Pacific Times:
11:00 am MST/10:00 am PST

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