



OHR REUVEN אור ראובן
YESHIVA KETANA

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Thursday,
December 10, 2020

Erev Chanukah
Early dismissal: K- @12 PM,
P-8 @ 1 PM

Friday,
December 11-14, 2020

Chanukah Vacation-
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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פרשת וירא



As part of this month's "Boruch Hashem Program", Rabbi Plotzker, our director of teaching and learning, went around to the classrooms singing the song Baruch Hashem with the talmidim!



Rabbi Peikes's 8th grade class on a hike with our S'gan Rosh Yeshiva, Rabbi Brodie!

Reminder: Class start times:

Sunday: Grades 1-8 at 9:15.

Monday-Friday: Grades 6-8 Minyan starts at 7:45, Class starts at 9:00.

Grades K-5, class starts at 9:15.

If you are driving your son to yeshiva, please make sure that he arrives at least 5 minutes before class.

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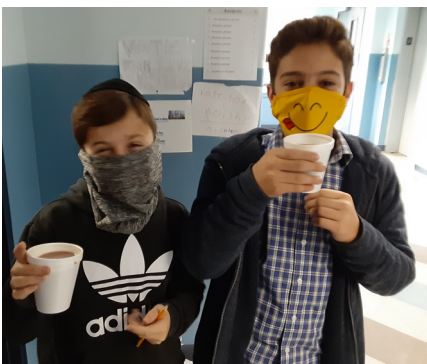
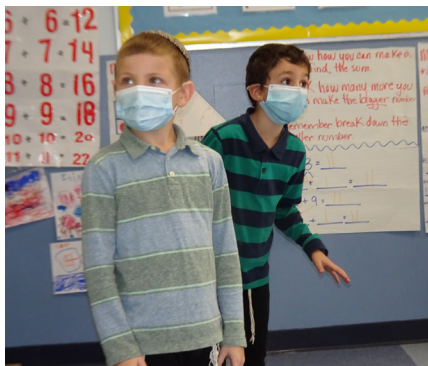
From Kindergarten to Kollel and Beyond!
Yeshiva Ketana | Mesivta | Beis Medrash | Kollel | Alumni



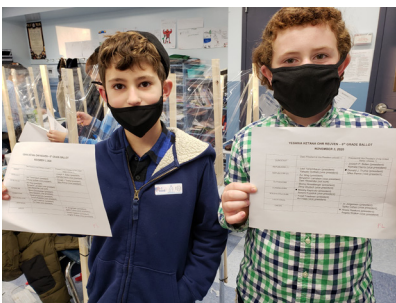
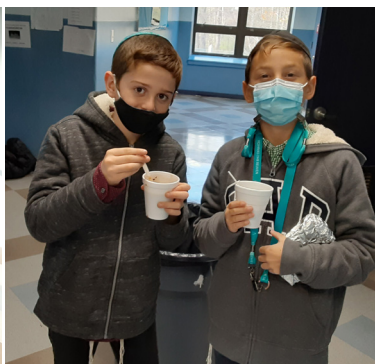
Akiva Kahana from 3rd grade visiting Rabbi Weissman's 2nd grade class, to teach them the new *misparim* song that he learned last year!



Rabbi Weissman's 2nd graders reviewing *Shorashim* by playing a game of charades!



Rabbi Kohn's 6th class enjoying some delicious hot cocoa in honor of completing their first blatt of Gemara this year!



Rabbi Kahana's 6th grade class voting on election day!



PARENT FEEDBACK

"Wow! Thank you so much! I really have no words to adequately express our appreciation to the entire staff at Ohr Reuven. Our son's transition to a new school (and a new state) has b"n seamless due to your warmth and support. We have such Hakaras HaTov to you and the teachers and school. BeH we should all see nachas b'bol ma'aseh yedeinu."

"Rabbi Peikes, We felt that you would shep some nachas from an old talmid and want to know Shumi was given the award of talmid hachodesh this month. Thank you for all you have done to help our son love learning! Thank you."

To sponsor any of our yeshiva programs, please contact Rabbi Plotzker at bplotzker@ohrreuven.com or (845) 538 6302. Tizku L'mitzvohs!

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

MAZEL TOV!

Mazel to Dr. & Mrs. Frommer on the birth of a girl!
Mazel Tov also to Avrami, Mordechai, and Zalmy!

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

Mazel tov to Avromi Karp (alumnus) upon his engagement!

Mazel tov to Mrs. Chaya Mass (Gendel) (nursery) upon her recent marriage!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Gavriel Adler, Pre1-A
Isaac Chaim Wolf, Pre1-A
Aryeh Leib Lipszyc, 2nd grade
Dovid Yitzchok Kaplovitz, 3rd grade
Eliezer Dovid Baldinger, 8th grade



Rabbi Weissman's 2nd graders showing how wearing Yarmulkas remind them of what Hashem created on the 5th day!



Mrs. Radzik's 1st graders working hard during their sight words drill!



Rabbi Biller's 3rd graders enjoying their "Konei Olam" middos program, and "the ride" together with Yoni all over the world and gaining amazing middos!

Lost & Found!

The Yeshiva Ketana's lost and found is located on a table near the Yeshiva Ketana's shul/ lunchroom. Please review the items pictured below and ask your son to check for any missing items. Items may have been added since the pictures below were taken.

The lost and found will be emptied on Thursday, November 12th. Unclaimed items will be kept by Mrs. Sarah Rosenberg in her office for 1 week before discarded, given away or donated.



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!

וירא

The Most Important Subject

כִּי יִדְעֵתִי לַמַּעַן אֲשֶׁר יִצְנֶה אֶת בְּנָיו וְאֶת בֵּיתוֹ אַחֲרָיו וְשָׁמְרוּ דְרָדְךָ ה' לַעֲשׂוֹת צְדָקָה וּמִשְׁפָּט לַמַּעַן הָבִיא ה' עַל נֶאֱבָרָהֶם אֶת אֲשֶׁר דִּבֶּר עֲלָיו:

For I have singled him out, that he may instruct his children and his posterity to keep the way of the LORD by doing what is just and right, in order that the LORD may bring about for Abraham what He has promised him."

ומקור מצות חנוך במ"ע מקורו מזה הפסוק מאברהם אבינו שיצוה את בניו בקטנם על המצות וקרא דחנוך לנער עפ"י דרכו שהביא רמב"ם בסוף הל' מא"ס (ושם לענין איסורים) הוי מדברי קבלה אבל העיקר מאברהם וכאן משמע שאף לבנות מצוה על האב

The source for the commandment to train children in positive *mitzvos* is from this *possuk*, from Avraham Avinu, who will instruct his children in their youth about the *mitzvos*. The *possuk* "educate a child according to his way," which the Ramba"m cites is a *kesuvim* source, but the primary source is from Avraham. Here it implies that there is a *mitzvah* for a father to educate daughters as well.

-Meshech Chochma

Upon the subject of education...I can only say that I view it as the most important subject which we as a people can be engaged in.

-Abraham Lincoln

The Jewish people are the mystery of history. We have defied the trajectory of every other nation and tongue, maintaining our national integrity and identity through two millennia of exile. We have managed to transmit ancient our ancient traditions across the ages and to preserve the heritage of the Torah for future generations. The secret to our continuity? Jewish education.

Jewish education takes place both within the home as well as in the context of formal schooling. Almost every aspect of our daily lives is highly regulated by *halacha* and almost every moment spent with our children is a "teachable moment," where we have the opportunity to pass on the tradition entrusted to us. With the education of our youth so essential to our existence, it is perplexing that there seems to be no specific source in the Torah for the *mitzvah* of engaging in Jewish education.

In the view of the Meshech Chochma, the source is none other than Avraham Avinu, himself, in his week's Parsha. Here, Hashem attests to Avraham's greatness by noting that Avraham will one day instruct his children after him to follow in the ways of G-d to engage in justice and charity. That is not simply a comment on Avraham, but a directive to all of us to follow in his ways to instruct and guide our children as well. This concept of the education of the youth is echoed in the *possuk* in Mishlei, "educate the child according to his way. Also as he ages it shall not be excised from him. "

In both cases, the *pesukim* take a specific view of education

that is far more concerned with the long-term than the short. The goal of education is to train the child in his youth in manner that will stick with him as he ages and to guide our children to uphold our values of truth, justice, and charity even after we are no longer here. While it is essentially an obvious point, it is one that parents often misunderstand and misapply.

Any child under the age of *bar* or *bas-mitzvah* is exempt from all *mitzvos* in the Torah. The child is not culpable for any actions between himself and G-d or between himself and his fellow man. Therefore, by definition, we are not training the ten-year-old child to *daven* properly when he is still ten and we are not guiding the eleven-year-old child to treat his parents with proper respect when he is still eleven. Likewise, it is not this or next Shabbos that we are preparing our young children for, but for all the Shabbosos they will experience after they have grown and become obligated in the observance of Shabbos.

The goal of Torah education is to raise the next generation to raise the one that will follow them. Every interaction we have with our children needs to be viewed through the lens of its effect on their future interactions with their children. With all of Avraham's greatness and all of his accomplishments, when Hashem seeks to quantify what makes Avraham so special, He highlights the fact that Avraham will transmit the tradition to his children and his family who will uphold the values of justice and charity.

PARENTING *in the* PARSHA

The goal of *chinuch* is not short-term conformity, but long-term buy in. We want our children to become life-long learners, life-long *daveners* and life-long *baalei chessed*. That requires much more of us than simply walking them through the mechanics of the performance of these *mitzvos*. It requires us to be creative, wise, and measured in leading them to the *mitzvos* in ways that make those *mitzvos* desirable and valuable.

Education, and specifically Jewish education is the most important subject that we as a people can be engaged in. It is why we are still here long after so many others have already exited the world stage, and it is why we shall persist and endure.

Be like Avraham and raise children who will raise children to Torah and *mitzvos*.

*Good Shabbos,
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
Principal*



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Guidelines for children sent home not feeling well and/or kept home because of illness

If your child has any symptoms that may be related to COVID-19, or is feeling under the weather, please follow the following protocol:

1. If your child had mild symptoms that resolved themselves that day, he may return to school the next day if he is fully symptom free
2. If his symptoms persist, keep your child at home, even if it seems to just be the common cold. Doctors are seeing many children with what seem like cold symptoms who are Covid positive. Great caution is necessary.
3. Go to the doctor.
4. Have your doctor write a note explaining the diagnosis. Please ask your doctor to be as clear and specific as possible. A note that states the child is cleared to return to school will not be enough. The note should state what the diagnosis is and how the doctor reached that conclusion (i.e. the child tested positive for strep, or the child has a history of seasonal allergies and these symptoms are consistent with his yearly allergic response)
5. Email the note to safety@ohrreuven.com
6. Continue to keep your child home until you get clearance from our Medical advisor, through safety@ohrreuven.com, allowing your child to resume 0 in person sessions.
7. Be in touch with your child's teachers to let them know your child is home until you're given clearance. The teachers are working tirelessly to keep students as involved in class activities and learning as possible, via zoom and by sending necessary supplies home.

We are well aware of the inconvenience that this may cause. We daven that Hashem speedily removes the pandemic from our midst. Meanwhile, we must be extremely cautious in order to be able to keep our doors open to our dear students.

Thank you for your cooperation

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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 וִירָא

- 1) Hashem came to visit אַבְרָהָם אַבְרָהָם אַבְרָהָם after אַבְרָהָם had his בְּרִית מִילָה. What is the name of this מְצֻחָה?
- 2) Which Yom Tov was אַבְרָהָם אַבְרָהָם אַבְרָהָם celebrating when the מַלְאָכִים came to him?
- 3) How old was שָׂרָה when she gave birth to יִצְחָק?
- 4) What was the name of the city which was overturned and destroyed in this week's פֶּרֶשָׁה?
- 5) What is the name of the mountain where עֵקֶידַת יִצְחָק took place?
- 6) How old was יִצְחָק at the time of the עֵקֶידָה?

WINNERS FROM פֶּרֶשֶׁת לך לך

DANI ALEXANDER DOVI LEFF
YOSEF FRIEDMAN (4th) YOSEF FRIEDMAN (6th)
CHAIM TZVI EISENSTADT



פרשת וירא
שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום



*This week's program
is sponsored by
Mr. & Mrs. Elly Bernstein*

לע"נ

*Rabbi Moshe Bernstein zt"l
(Grandfather of Moishe Bernstein)
whose yortzeit was this week.*

*May the זכות of the learning generated by this
program be a זכות for him.*

Many פרשיות of this year

are still available for sponsorship!

Please help support this wonderful program.
Sponsor a week in honor of a שמחה, a birthday,
in memory of a loved one, or for any reason at all!

To sponsor a פרשה please contact Rabbi Plotzker.
bplotzker@darcheinoam.org

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

FOR GRADES

6, 7, & 8

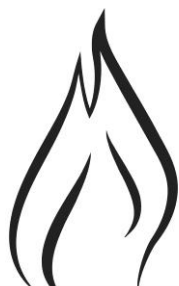
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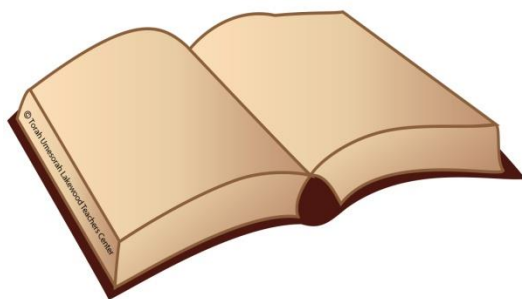
Tefillah Awareness Power

EACH WEEK WE WILL REVIEW A SHORT SECTION OF
DAVENING WITH ITS TRANSLATION.

EVERY TWO WEEKS THERE WILL BE A
MULTIPLE CHOICE QUIZ.



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TALMIDIM WHO AVERAGE 75 AND ABOVE,
WILL BE ENTERED INTO

A SPECIAL MONTHLY RAFFLE.

PRIZES FOR TALMIDIM WITH
85 AND ABOVE AVERAGE

T.A.P. INTO YOUR TEFILLAH!?

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Chai Lifeline

Honey Engel Toy Fund



**This Chanukah,
gift a
smile.**

CHAILIFELINE
toy  **drive**

Brighten a sick child's life by donating a toy today.

Send toys to school with your child on the following days:

When: November 2nd - December 10th.



**Exciting new
hands on
opportunity
for your
entire family!**

**'Adopt a family'
and make their
Chanukah really
special by
fulfilling their
wish list.**

**For our amazon wish
list please email
toys@chailifeline.org.**

**Send a gift for a
sick boy or girl,
infants through teens,
in any price range.
(new toys only)**



**For a drop off location, information on adopt a family, to have your toys picked
up or for any questions, Call Chai Lifeline at:
212.699.6656 or email TOYS@CHAILIFELINE.ORG.**