



OHR REUVEN אור ראובן  
YESHIVA KETANA

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday,  
October 22, 2021

No Sessions  
Torah Umesorah Convention

Sunday,  
October 31, 2021

Hascholas Mishnayos

Thursday,  
November 11, 2021

Dismissal K-8 3 PM  
No Transportation

Thursday,  
November 25, 2021

Dismissal K-8 1 PM  
No Transportation

Friday,  
November 26, 2021

Regular ER Transportation  
No SC and NR

## IMPORTANT NOTES

Please see message from  
the Admissions Office



# REUVEN REVIEW

YOUR WINDOW INTO THE WORLD OF YESHIVA KETANA OHR REUVEN

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פרשת לך לך



Our Rosh HaYeshiva rewarding those who participated in the "Sleeping in the Sukkah Program" and giving a shiur on the topic! (See the next page for the list of talmidim who qualified for the Yeshiva Ketana's 'Sleeping in the Sukkah program').



Rabbi Biller's 2nd grade talmidim acting out this week's parsha.

### Message from the Admissions Office:

If you have not yet submitted a kindergarten application for your son for the upcoming 22-23 school year, please submit it as soon as possible. Thank you!

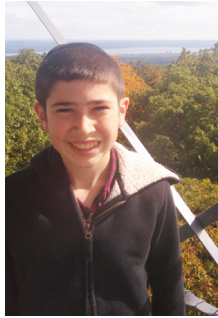
Applications are submitted on-line at [ohrreuven.com/elementary](http://ohrreuven.com/elementary).

The Yeshiva would like to extend heartfelt condolences to

Rebbetzin Devora Rudinsky  
and the entire  
Leiner Family  
on the פטירה of their father



הרב נתן מיכאל ליינער ע"ה  
Rabbi Nosson Michoel Leiner Z'L  
May the family have only שמחות and נחת in the future.



Our S'gan Rosh HaYeshiva, Rabbi Brodie, on a hike with our 8th grade *talmidim*!

BH, after much effort put in by the hanhala, the a.m. buses are arriving much closer to 9:00am as in the past. If you are carpooling, we are reminding you that the rebbeim are in class at that time and it would make it a much smoother start if your son can arrive at 9:00 a.m.



2nd graders developed their questioning skills - Who, What, Where, When, and Why.



Mazel tov to Nechemiah Gold on his hanochas tefillin!

PLEASE SHARE WITH US! Please email any Mazel Tov information to [reuvenreview@ohrreuven.com](mailto:reuvenreview@ohrreuven.com)!

## MAZEL TOV!

Mazel tov to Rabbi Rawicki upon the birth of a granddaughter!

Mazel tov to Mrs. Stein (4th grade teacher) upon the engagement of her granddaughter Adeena Eissenberg to Meir Gold (YK Alumnus), Mazel tov to Nechemia Gold upon the engagement of his brother! 🎉

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Natan Yitzchok Kahana, 1st grade  
Meir Leib Muntner, 2nd grade  
Aharon Yehuda Feiner, 5th grade  
Baruch Simcha Leibovic, 6th grade

## KOL HAKAVOD TO THE FOLLOWING TALMIDIM WHO QUALIFIED FOR THE YESHIVA KETANA "SLEEPING IN THE SUKKAH PROGRAM"!

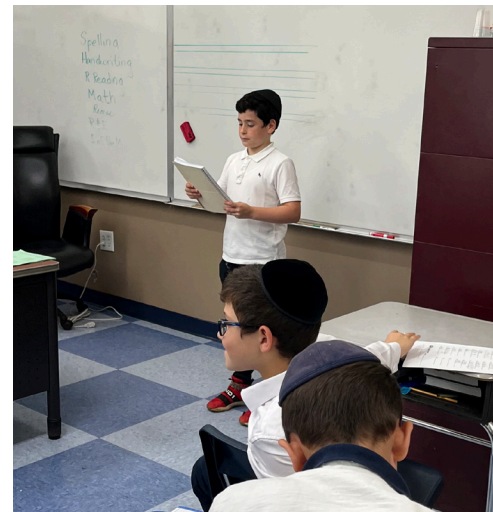
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| Mordechai Brick   | Argyeh Muller        |
| Yosef Friedman    | Moshe Tzvi Grohman   |
| Eli Margulies     | Avi Weg              |
| Akiva Weinraub    | Moishy Kaplowitz     |
| Avraham Peikes    | Gavi Voss            |
| Coby Spitz        | Elchonon Light       |
| Teddy Reichmann   | Avromi Frommer       |
| Yaakov Weitzman   | Momo Grossberger     |
| Yoni Maimon       | Shalom Venokur       |
| Elkanah Berkowitz | Yeshaya Vilinsky     |
| Akiva Dembitzer   | Yitzchok Argyeh Kohl |
| Dovid Elhyani     | Shalom Saperstein    |
| Tuvia Bloom       | Yosef Friedman       |
| Eliezer Spivak    | Yoel Weisberg        |
| Gavi Voss         | JJ Gotesman          |
| Dovi Leff         | Dovi Feder           |
| Elya Adler        | Naftali Tzvi Frankel |
| Tzvi Neuhauser    | Yehoshua Weg         |
| Shlomo Reich      | Yaakov Kirschner     |
| Baruch Leibovic   | Pinchos Joseph       |
| Moshe Weisberg    | Yonah Coren          |
| Nachi Kohn        | Yehuda Gottleib      |

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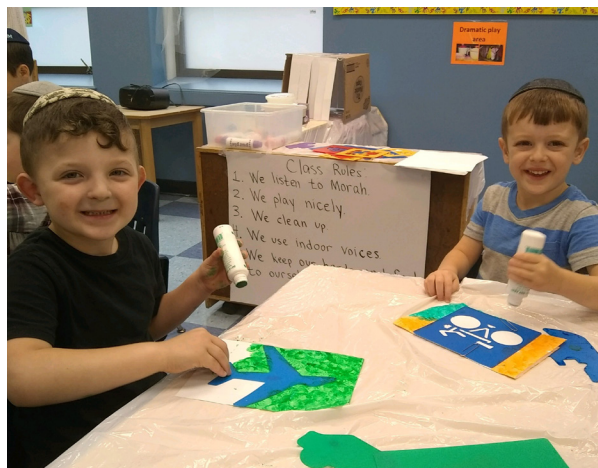
This year, grades 5-7 are joining the special Eretz Chemda Program, each class individually goes live with Eretz Yisroel once every 3 weeks, and learns about the *mitzvohs* that apply in Eretz Yisroel!



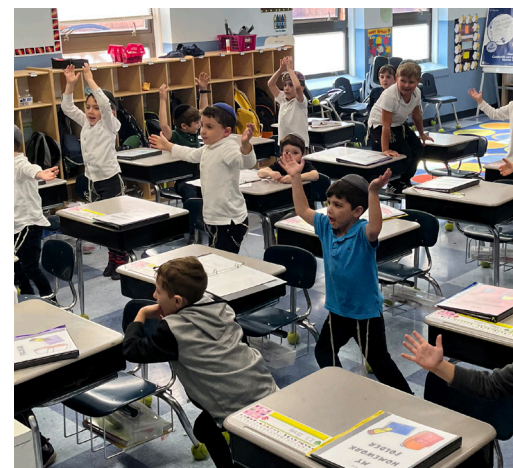
Benny Neuhauser administering last week's spelling test in the 4 grade.



Zorach Schneid created a ship after the 1st grade learned about Columbus Day!



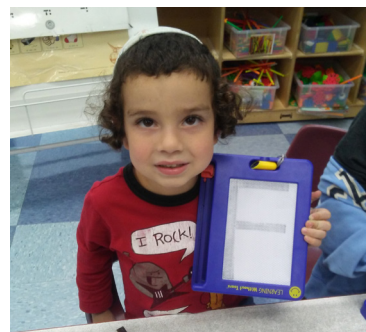
Kindergarten learning about the many forms of transportation.



1st graders doing jumping jacks to count the days on the calendar!



Rabbi Peikes's 8th graders shteiging away, taking a gemara Test.



Pre1-A boys enjoying activities for the letter F!



**LAST CALL!** Registration is now open for the Chess Wizards after-school program Fall Sessions! The program is beginning on October 25, so please register as soon as possible. Please note that the program will only run if enough people sign up. See attached flyer for more information.

## לך לך It's a Miracle

יִפֹּל אֲבִרְהָם עַל פָּנָיו וַיִּצְחַק וַיֹּאמֶר בִּלְבָבוֹ הֲלָבֹן מֵאָה שָׁנָה יִלְד וְאִם שָׂרָה הִבֵּת תִּשְׁעִים שָׁנָה תֵּלֵד:

Abraham threw himself on his face and laughed, as he said to himself, "Can a child be born to a man a hundred years old, or can Sarah bear a child at ninety?"

התחלת העם היהודי גורמת לחיוכים. לפי ההגיון המציאותי, המחשב כל דבר על פי סיבה ומסובב, נראים תולדות עם זה, ציפיותיו, תקוותיו, וחיייו, כשאפיפה עוברת גבולות, בלתי מציאותית, ונלעגת. אך דברי ימי ישראל מתחילים אכן להעשות מובנים, והם ראויים לכך שילמדו אותם במלוא כובד הראש רק אם מסבירים אותם על פי סיבת כל הסיבות; ומאמינים ברצונו הכל יכול והחפשי של האל החפשי, הפועל בחירות ומתערב בעוזי בענייני עולמו.

אבותינו היו חייבים לדעת דבר זה מההתחלה, ועל צאצאיהם היה ליכור זאת תמיד. משום כך המתין הקבה עד שאביהם ואמם הראשונים של האומה יגיעו לגיל מעורר חיוך. זה הטעם שה' התחיל לקיים את הבטחותיו רק משאבדה כל תקווה אנושית. הוא רצה לברוא לעצמו אומה שתהיה אצבע אלקים סימן לאלקים בקרב האנושות.

-Rav Shamshon Raphael Hirsch

A miracle is an event so unlikely as to be almost impossible. By that definition, I've just proven that you are a miracle.

-Dr. Ali Binazir

What are the odds of your being born? What are the odds of any one of your children having been born? They are slim, impossibly slim.

According to a blog post by Dr. Ali Binazir published in 2012, the odds of any one person being born are "1 in  $10^{2,685,000}$  – yes, that's a 10 followed by 2,685,000 zeroes!" In other words, by mathematical odds, it is highly improbable to near impossible for any of us to be here, and yet, here we are.

Binazir arrives at that astronomical number by calculating the odds of anyone's parents meeting and staying together long enough to actually have children. To that, he adds the mathematical probability of them succeeding in conceiving a child. That, in turn is layered upon the statistical chance of every single one of your ancestors having survived to child bearing age, having found a suitable spouse and having succeeded in bearing children of their own. The bottom line of all his calculations is that the odds of any of us actually being here are pretty much zero. And yet, here we are.

Rav Shamshon Raphael Hirsch believes that displaying miracle of our existence is the driving force behind the unusual circumstances surrounding the inception of the Jewish People. Why does Hashem wait until Avraham and Sarah have reached an age where the thought of them bearing children is laughable before first granting them a son? It is for us to know for all time how truly impossible our existence actually is.

Rav Hirsch's observation is applicable to the Jewish nation as a whole, as well as to each individual ever born. We are all a miracle. Unfortunately, too often we forget just what a miracle it is that any of us are here.

That is vitally important for parents.

By nature, couples who have difficulty having children will

cherish those children just a little more when they finally arrive. You might even hear a mother or father refer to one of their children as "my miracle baby." When you see your child as a miracle, you tend to have a little more patience for the trials and tribulations of child-rearing. If your child is a miracle child, then the simple pleasures and joys of parenting become sources of great pride and delight and the lows become a little more tolerable and less disturbing. No matter what happens, you always remind yourself that your child is a miracle.

What if you were to suddenly discover that your child is really a miracle child, a mathematical impossibility gifted to you by Hashem, Himself? Guess what, you just did.

Now that we know, thanks to Dr. Ali Binazir, that all our children are miracles, how will that affect the way we view them? How will it change the way we cherish our children, the time we spend with them, and how much we enjoy just the fact that they exist.

As we all know, parenting brings its share of difficulties and challenges. It is no walk in the park. It is filled with angst, stress, sleepless nights, and hard work. That can be very daunting indeed. But, ask yourself, would you trade all that anxiety, lost sleep, and stress for a miracle?

Like Yitzchak before us, all our children are an impossible miracle. So, the next time you're ready to pull your hair out, pause, take a deep breath, and behold the wondrous miracle before you.

*Good Shabbos,  
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb  
Principal*





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שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום



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Name of תלמיד (Please Print Clearly)

**!!WEEKLY PRIZES!!**

Class: (Please Check One)

- ☐ 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – 10 פסוקים
- ☐ 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – 15 פסוקים
- ☐ 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – 20 פסוקים
- ☐ 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – 25 פסוקים
- ☐ 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – 30 פסוקים
- ☐ 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – 40 פסוקים
- ☐ 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – 50 פסוקים

My son completed שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום for  
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School Name: Yeshiva Ketana Ohr Reuven School

Dates: 10/25, 11/01, 11/08, 11/15, 11/22, 12/06  
12/13, 12/20, 12/27

No Class on: 11/29

Class Day and Time: Monday  
1st grade: 4:00-5:00 pm  
2nd-4th: 4:15-5:15 pm  
Total # of Classes: 5th-8th: 5:15-6:15 pm  
9 classes

Price: \$144 Location: 257 Grandview Ave,  
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