



OHR REUVEN אור ראובן
YESHIVA KETANA

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday-Wednesday
December 27-29, 2021

Regular ER & NR
No SC Transportation

Thursday
December 30, 2021 *UPDATE*
Regular dismissal times
No SC or NR Transportation
Regular ER Transportation

Friday-Sunday
**December 31, 2021-
January 2, 2022**
Off shabbos-No sessions

Monday
January 17, 2022
Dismissal K-8 @ 3 PM
No transportation

Thursday
January 27, 2022
Dismissal K @ 12 PM
P-8 @ 12:30 PM

Friday-Tuesday
January 28 - February 1, 2022
Mid-Winter Vacation
No Sessions

IMPORTANT NOTES

UPDATE Thursday,
December 30th: Regular
dismissal for all grades.
Regular East Ramapo
and North Rockland
Transportation. NO SUFFERN
CENTRAL TRANSPORTATION

REUVEN REVIEW

YOUR WINDOW INTO THE WORLD OF YESHIVA KETANA OHR REUVEN

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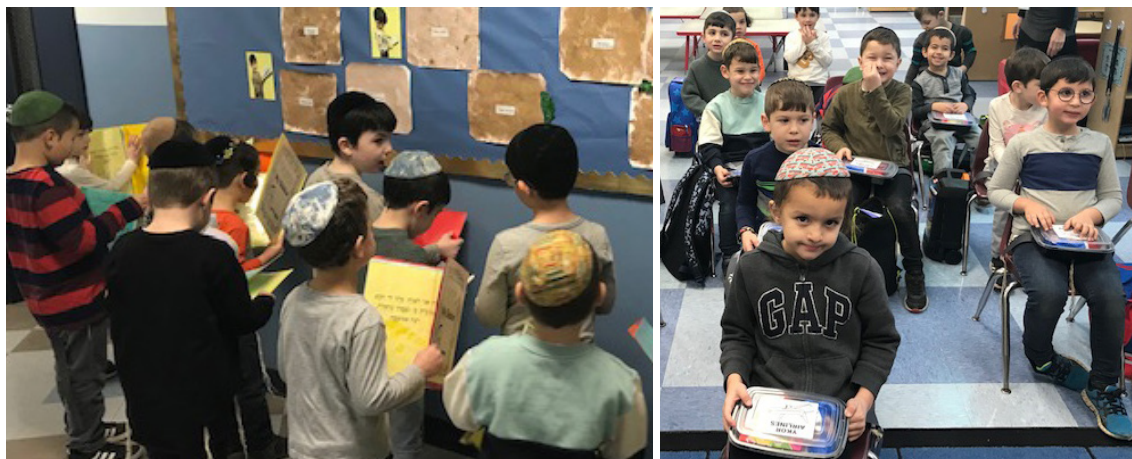
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כ טבת תשפ"ב פרשת שמות

It was a pleasure to see our parents at Parent Teacher Conferences last Sunday. Thank you to everyone who helped PTC move along so smoothly!



Our Menahel, Rabbi Rawicki, enjoying the new SMILE chanukah pictures.



Mrs. Goldring's Pre1-A talmidim "traveled" to Eretz Yisroel and davened at the kose!



Each week, R' Biller's 2nd grade *talmidim* produce a torah skit on the *parsha*. In order to make it easier for parents and grandparents to access the videos, R' Biller set up a website called torahskits.com where all skits can be easily accessed and enjoyed. Please feel free to share with anyone who might enjoy it and *shep nachas*!



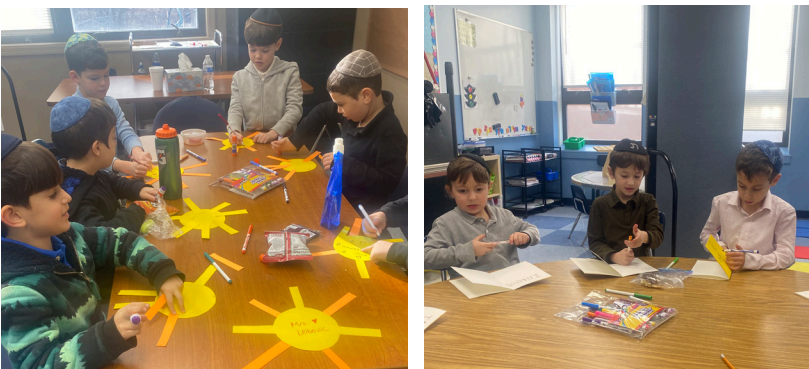
Our Mashgiach, Rabbi Bamberger addressing the middle school talmidim on the topic of **שלא שינו את שמם, לשונם, ומלבושם**.



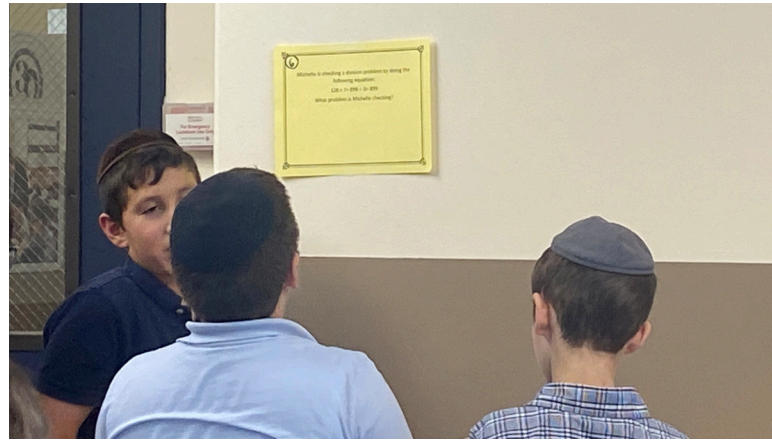
Mrs. Radzik 1st graders building an Igloo.



8th graders enjoying their reward for round 2 of their chazzara program!



Our 1st and 2nd grade social skills groups learning the skill of complimenting each other.



Mrs. Leibovic's 5th graders working on a math gallery walk.



In honor of our 6th grade's Bracha Acharona Program, those who qualified enjoyed a delicious hot fleishig lunch. A special thank you to the Wolfson family for sponsoring this siyum!

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

MAZEL TOV!

Mazel tov to Mrs. Tehilah Malach (Pre-1A assistant) upon the birth of a baby girl!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Nosson Shulman, 1st grade
Shmuel Aharon Schwarz, 3rd grade
Eliezer Eisenstadt, 4th grade
Akiva Deutsch, 4th grade
Moshe Shimon Schiller, 7th grade

שמות Adversity

וּכְאֲשֶׁר יֵעָנוּ אֹתוֹ כֵּן יִרְבֶּה וְכֵן יִפְרָץ וַיִּקְצוּ מִפְּנֵי בְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל:

But the more they were oppressed, the more they increased and spread out, so that the [Egyptians] came to dread the Israelites.

כֵּן יִרְבֶּה. כֵּן רַבָּה וְכֵן פָּרַץ. וּמִדְּרָשׁוֹ רוּחַ הַקֹּדֶשׁ אוֹמֶרֶת כֵּן אֵתָם אוֹמְרִים פֶּן יִרְבֶּה וַאֲנִי אוֹמֵר כֵּן יִרְבֶּה signifies: so they multiplied and so they grew apace. This is the real meaning; but there is a Midrashic explanation of these imperfect tenses: The Holy spirit said this: You say ירבה פֶּן, “lest they increase”, but “I” say ירבה כֵּן, “thus will they assuredly increase”

-Rashi

When everything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it.

-Henry Ford

The single greatest rebuke to and refutation of snowplow parenting is found in this week’s *parsha*. For those unaware, snowplow parenting is the title given to a specific parenting style, one in which parents, much like a snowplow, attempt to clear all obstacles and adversity from their children’s path.

Snowplow parents are helicopter parents on steroids. Helicopter parents hover close, keeping their kids out of trouble or quickly fixing any problem that comes up for the child. Snowplow parents keep trouble away from the child, ensuring that he never has any problem to begin with. The helicopter parent may interfere when a child has a social difficulty with a friend. The snowplow parent will carefully engineer and plan all playdates and social interactions to assure no difficulty arises.

The problem with snowplow parenting is that it is harmful to children. It is terrible for young nations as well.

The fledgling nation of Israel finds itself in Egypt at the mercy of a tyrannical ruler who enslaves them, kills their babies, and marginalizes the entire people to the fringe of society. They are drained, exhausted and worn. But, they have an indomitable weapon, they have G-d on their side.

What would you do if you were G-d? You have the power to stop the Egyptian oppression in its tracks, to leave room for the *bnei Yisroel* to flourish. Wouldn’t you remove the obstacle?

Hashem does not do that at all. In fact, he makes things even worse before they get better, sending Moshe to confront Pharaoh knowing full-well that the Pharaoh will react by further tightening the screws. Why does G-d choose to keep the pressure on yet support His people rather than just removing the pressure?

The answer is patently obvious. Hashem is forging a nation that will have to deal with a multiplicity of adversity, hardship,

and suffering in its long future. The only way to prepare them to face those difficulties is to train them in real-life, real-time situations of adversity and challenge. To remove the hardships and give the nation space to flourish in safety and security would produce a nation that will be physically large, but emotionally very small and immature indeed.

Instead, Hashem ensures that trials and tribulations continue to confront the people, and even adds on to the misery. But, he supports them throughout, teaching them the patience, faith, and inner fortitude to face and withstand any challenge thrown their way.

That is good nation-building and it is good parenting as well. The key to raising children who are emotionally mature, healthy, and prepared to overcome adversity in life is to not to remove obstacles from their path, but to teach them how to surmount those obstacles instead. It is a subtle difference but it makes all the difference in the world.

It is almost always faster, easier, and more effective in the short run to fix all of your child’s problems for him, or to prevent those problems to begin with. But, problems are a part of life, and when you fix your child’s problems or eliminate them you fail in your responsibility to educate and train the child to deal with the troubles life will throw at him.

Just as Hashem declared for and through the *Bnei Yisroel*, “the more the Egyptians torment them, the more they will grow and succeed,” we need to declare the same for and with our children. Train your child’s mindset to view the obstacles in the path of life not as barriers blocking his way to success, but as stepping stones that will help him get there.

Good Shabbos,
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
Principal

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*Mr. & Mrs.
Menachem and Audrey
Seleski*



Tuesday, December 21, 2021
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to the first grade on joining the
program!! שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום YKOR

MOST of the פרשיות of this year
are still available for sponsorship!
Please help support this wonderful program.

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First

Last

Name of תלמיד (Please Print Clearly)

!!WEEKLY PRIZES!!

- ☐ **1st Grade – 5 פסוקים**
- ☐ 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



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.

QUES: SHEISHES YIMEI BERAISHIS!!

- 1) On the 1st day of creation, 'ה created light and _____.
- 2) On the 2nd day of creation, 'ה created the _____.
- 3) On the 3rd day of creation, 'ה created oceans, dry land, grass, and _____.
- 4) On the 4th day of creation, 'ה created the sun, the moon, and the _____.
- 5) On the 5th day of creation, 'ה created fish and _____.
- 6) On the 6th day of creation, 'ה created animals and _____.

WINNERS FROM 'PARSHIYOS'

GAVI VOSS	ELCHONON LORBER
ZEVY DEUTSCH	SHALOM SAPERSTEIN
AHARON BECKER	ELKANAH BERKOWITZ
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To the students of Yeshiva Ohr Reuven,

We would like to thank you on behalf of Chai Lifeline's more than 5,000 children and families.

As a result of your participation in the Annual Honey Engel Toy Drive, we have managed to distribute more Chanukah Presents than ever before. The enthusiasm and devotion of the students, faculty, and parents are truly a credit to you as an institution and emblematic of the values you instill and exemplify.

Because of your efforts, we have managed to distribute over 50,000 toys to kids and families impacted by pediatric illness. Our toy drive enables Chai Lifeline to continue to carry out its mission in delivering joy and a sense of normalcy to families facing hard times.

We look forward to your partnership and support next year to continue creating more smiles to children and families across the world.

With best wishes for a happy and healthy year,

Nachman Maimon
Program Administrator

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