

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday May 8, 2022

Acadience end of year testing begins for grades P-8 Kodesh, grades P-5 G.S

Thursday May 19, 2022 Lag B'Omer

Friday May 27, 2022

No SC Transportation Regular ER & NR

Monday May 30, 2022

No Transportation Dismissal @ 1 PM Yeshiva Dinner

Sunday-Monday June 5-6, 2022

Shavous- No Sessions

Wednesday
June 8, 2022

8th grades Final Exams Begin

IMPORTANT NOTES

Yeshiva Dinner coming up!

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פרשת קדושים



Yeshiva Ketana talmidim starring in the new Sefira Video from the Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation, "The Yarok Effect"!



Rabbi Prupas's 7th grade had a *siyum*-BBQ and hike with our S'gan Rosh Yeshiva, Rabbi Brodie!

Our Annual Dinner is a special opportunity for us to share the yeshiva's accomplishments and growth. We are preparing for a beautiful evening and are looking forward to seeing you at this year's 31st Anniversary Dinner. The event will be held at the Atrium on Monday, May 30th! You can send in your rsvps and ad text online at ohrreuven.com/dinner, by email to dinner@ohrreuven.com or by mail/in person to the yeshiva's office.







Thank you to the The Sternbuch family for sponsoring food for the staff in honor of R' Yeshaya Kerestir's Yahrtzeit!



Mazel tov to Yaakov Fishman on his Hanachas Tefilin this past week!



Our 8th graders having pizza to celebrate Rabbi Kahana's chasuna!

Thank you to the N'shei for this month's Rosh Chodesh balls and outdoor-fun prizes!









In Dr. Levy's science class, the boys watched for a carbon snake to emerge from burning baking soda and sugar.

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

MAZEL TOV!

Mazel tov to Rabbi Kahana upon his chasuna!

Mazel tov to Mrs. Leibovic (5th grade teacher and guidance counselor) upon the birth of a granddaughter!

Mazel tov to Morah Batsheva (Pre1-A Morah) upon her chasuna!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Pinchas Aryeh Brodie, 1st grade Yakov Benjamin Needleman, 2nd grade Eliyahu Meir Kopstick, 3rd grade Teddy Reichmann, 5th grade Mordechai Brick, 5th grade Shlomo Reich, 6th grade Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

PARENTING PARSHA



קדושים Model Behavior

אָשׁ אָמּוֹ וְאָבִיו תִּיראוּ וְאֶת שַׁבּּתֹתֵי תִּשְׁמֹרוּ אֲנִי ה' אֱלֹקיכם:

You shall each revere your mother and your father, and keep My sabbaths: I am Hashem your G-d.

עוד נראה לומר טעם שאמר לשון יחיד וגמר אומר לשון רבים, נתכוון לומר כי כשהבן יהיה ירא מאביו גורם גם כן שבנו יהיה ירא ממנו, איבעית אימא למה שקדם בדברינו במקומות אחרים)ויחי מט ג(כי שורשי הקדושה ונגדיהם הנמצאים במוליד יעשו כיוצא בהם בנולדים. ואיבעית אימא מדרך המוסר כי כשיראה הבן שאביו מזלזל בכבוד אביו יפקע כלילת מוראו גם כן ממנו, וכשאדם ירא מאביו וכו' הבן לוקח מוסר. גם ישרישו בנפש הבן בחינת מפעל הטוב, ונמצא מקיים ב' מוראים, והוא אומרו איש לשון יחיד תיראו לשון רבים, כי במורא א' יראים ב', וזה אומרם)אבות פ"ד(מצוה גוררת מצוה:

There is another reason why the Torah starts with the singular (form) and ends with the plural. The Torah hints that if a son demonstrates that he respects his own father, chances are that his son in turn will also show respect for him. His spiritual level will be reflected in the spiritual level of the child. Alternatively, the matter is psychological. When a son observes that his father belittles his grandfather or grandmother, he in turn will not feel the inclination to show respect or honor to his own father or mother. On the other hand, when a son observes that his father treats his grandfather with great respect, he in turn will be in awe of his father. As a result of such considerations the fulfilment of one act of reverence will lead to the fulfilment of two.

-Ohr Hachaim

Children have never been very good at listening to their elders, but they have never failed to imitate them

-James Baldwin

Those who remember their high-school biology might recall Lamarck's debunked theory of evolution. His basic premise was that individual members of a species can develop specific traits through conditioning, and those newly-developed traits will then be passed on to their offspring. The classic example of Lamarck's theory is the long neck of the giraffe. Lamarck believed that giraffes developed such long necks slowly, over generations, by individual giraffes stretching to reach the leaves on trees. By stretching, the giraffe lengthened his neck and passed that longer neck on to his offspring. That next-generation giraffe stretched his already long neck even longer to reach higher leaves, until eventually the necks of giraffes were stretched to their current length.

Biology has long discredited Lamarck, arguing that these traits are controlled by genetics, and one passes only his genes to his offspring, not any in-life conditioning. But, science has had a recent change of heart. While not a full embrace of Lamarck, the relatively new field of epigenetics studies how certain traits can be linked to factors outside the genetic code and can then be modified and passed on to the next generation.

The Ohr Hachaim, in this week's parsha offers a comment that could be described as spiritual or ethical epigenetics. Addressing the discrepancy in number between the noun of the possuk, man, written in singular form and the verb, fear, written in plural form, the Ohr Hachaim sees a simple, but elegant message. A parent who models reverence for his own parent in front of his children will in turn have children who show reverence to their parents. The single act of a father showing reverence for his father and/or mother will lead to a plural result, with both him and his children having reverence

for their parents.

The Ohr Hachaim offers two reasons to explain why this is so. We might refer to them as nature and nurture. Firstly, the spiritual sanctity that is found in the progenitor will be naturally transmitted to his offspring. The refinement of certain character traits and abilities will pass to the next generation. That is nature, the spiritual epigenetics we mentioned above.

The second reason is nurture. A child who, unfortunately, watches his father belittle the honor of *his* father will be inclined to do the same. A child who observes his father treating the grandfather with respect, awe, and reverence will be inclined to follow suit.

The Ohr Hachaim, and by extension, the *possuk* is a sobering reminder that perhaps the most important thing we can do for the *chinuch* of our children is to work on improving ourselves. Want your child to be a *masmid*? Learn with *hasmadah* (I doubt that Rav Chaim Kanievsky ever explicitly instructed his children in the value of diligence in Torah study). Want your children to be *ba'alei chessed*? Take on and model acts of *gemilas chasadim*. Want them to work on behalf of the *tzibur*? Put in your own effort on behalf of the *tzibur*.

Children are poor listeners, but excellent imitators, and they tend, very much, to imitate the behavior we model for them. Let's model the behavior we want them to have.

Good Shabbos Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb Principal



MONDAY MAY 30TH כ"ט אייר תשפ״ב

THE ATRIUM 401 W. Route 59 Monsey, New York Reception 6:30pm

Dinner 7:15pm

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