



OHR REUVEN אור ראובן  
YESHIVA KETANA

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday  
March 6, 2023  
Ta'anis Esther  
Dismissal K: 12:00, P-8:12:30

Tuesday  
March 7-8, 2023  
Purim, Shushan Purim  
No Sessions

Friday  
March 10, 2023  
No Suffern Central  
Transportation

Sunday  
March 12, 2023  
Sessions begin 10:00 am

## IMPORTANT NOTES



משנכנס  
אדר מרבין  
בשמחה!

# REUVEN REVIEW

YOUR WINDOW INTO THE WORLD OF YESHIVA KETANA OHR REUVEN

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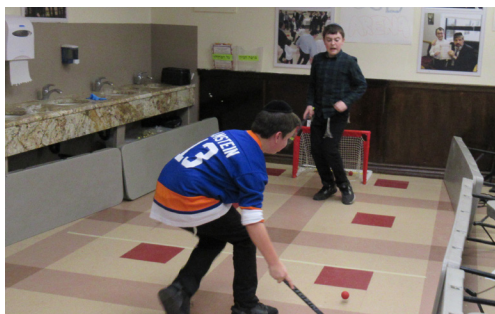
Mazel Tov to Eli (YOR Beis Medrash) and Haddasah  
(2nd & 4th Grade Assistant) Karash on their  
chassanah!



Yaakov Karash dancing with His uncle



9th Graders chazering for a Perek Bechina  
in Bekias



The 8th Grade Annual Adar Carnival was a smashing success!

## YKOR 2023 Raffle Campaign update

**Just announced this week is a special incentive:**



### **YOU CAN WIN THIS BIKE OVER PURIM!!**

We will be drawing one winner after Purim from all the tickets brought in to Yeshiva. Do you have raffle tickets at home? BRING THEM IN TO YESHIVA NOW to be included in the drawing. Place the money and tickets in a Ziploc bag with your name on it and give it to your Rebbe.



5th grade vocabulary Pictionary game

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

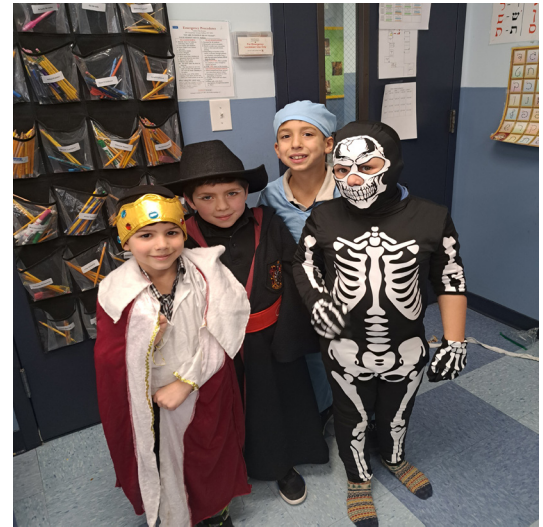
Simcha Goldring, 8th

Uzi Kurzmann, 6th

Kuti Nadoff, Pre1a

Shaya Rosenberg, 3rd

Menachem Perkowsky, 8th



Miss Mitzmann's 2nd grade dressing up for dress up day



Tzvi Neuhauser with the drone he won from the Rosh Chodesh Project program

**PLEASE SHARE WITH US!**

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

### **MAZEL TOV!**

Zevi Koblick on his sisters chasunah!



## מגילת אסתר Courage

כִּי אִם־הִתְחַרַּשׁ תַּחֲרִישִׁי בְּעַת הַזֹּאת רָנָה וְהִצְלָה יֵעָמֹד לַיהוּדִים מִמָּקוֹם אֲחֵר וְאַתָּה וּבֵית־אָבִיךָ תִּאבְדּוּ וְנִמְי יוֹדֵעַ אִם־לָעַת כְּזֹאת הִגַּעְתָּ לַמַּלְכוּת:

On the contrary, if you keep silent in this crisis, relief and deliverance will come to the Jews from another quarter, while you and your father's house will perish. And who knows, perhaps you have attained to royal position for just such a crisis."

כִּי אִם הִתְחַרַּשׁ תַּחֲרִישִׁי (אסתר ד, יד), אִם תִּשְׁתַּקִּי עַכְשָׁיו שְׁלֹא לִלְמַד סְנִיגוֹרִיָּא עַל אֲמַתְךָ, סוֹפֶךְ לִשְׁתַּק לַעֲתִיד לְבוֹא וְאִין לֹךְ פְּתִחוֹן פֶּה, לָמָּה, שְׂאֵת יְכוּלָה לַעֲשׂוֹת טוֹבָה בְּיָמֶיךָ וְלֹא עָשִׂיתָ.

"For if you are silent" – if you [Esther] are silent now and refrain from advocating on behalf of your nation, ultimately you will be silent in the future and you will have no claim. Why? Because you have the opportunity to perform good during your life and you [will have] failed to do so.

Sedentary culture is the goal of civilization. It means the end of its lifespan and brings about its corruption.  
- Ibn Khaldun

Ibn Khaldun is probably the most influential thinker of the last millennium that you've likely never heard of.

Seen as the father of disciplines as diverse as economics, political theory, sociology, and demography, Ibn Khaldun observed the world, recognizing patterns that escaped many who came before him. In his Muqaddimah, Ibn Khaldun traces the rise and fall of nations and empires. He notes that the goal of all societies is to reach sedentary comfort. To get there, people will go to great lengths and endure great sacrifice and suffering. But, once there, comfort becomes the only goal, the people unwilling to suffer or sacrifice, for that would contravene their comfort. It is then, Ibn Khaldun notes, that empires fall, overrun and conquered by others, hungry, driven, and ready to sacrifice everything to rise to the top. Thus the cycle starts anew and continues.

Ibn Khaldun's observation affords a lens through which to view one of the most well-known and pivotal conversations in Megilas Esther.

Esther has become Queen. She has reached the pinnacle of sedentary comfort. But, her people are in trouble. They may be eradicated. She can help, but to do so she will need to risk losing everything. She is faced with the choice of preserving her comfort or summoning her courage, and Mordechai is well-aware of the decision before her. Mordechai wisely admonishes Esther to consider her legacy and that of her father's house, for she may retain comfort, but she will lose eternity.

Esther chooses wisely.

Are we raising children who would choose the same?

Ibn Khaldun's timeline for the lifecycle of empires paints an ominous picture for the

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American experiment. Broader society has pursued and attained sedentary comfort and only wants to be left alone to enjoy that comfort. What about our own children brought up in that broader culture? Do we instill in their children the values of sacrifice, selflessness, determination, grit, and heroism that would make them stand up for what is right and good in the face of oppression and danger? Or, have we taught our children to avoid risking the loss of their comforts?

The Jewish people have always needed Mordechais and Esthers and we have always found them. As Mordechai told Esther, "If you decide to shrink from the responsibility, someone else will come up and take your place." There will always be that someone. The question we have to ask ourselves is about our own legacy and that of our children. Will they be that someone? How can we train them from the time they are young to be that someone? That is the parenting challenge of Megilas Esther. Are we up for it?



פרשת תצוה  
שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום



*This week's program* שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום *is in honor of*

# מרדכי היהודי אסתר המלכה

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

**Monthly (4 weeks) sponsorship: \$225**  
**One week sponsorship: \$65**

To sponsor a פרשה  
please contact Rabbi Plotzker:  
bplotzker@ohrreuven.com

First

Last

Name of תלמיד (Please Print Clearly)

## !!WEEKLY PRIZES!!

- ☐ 1<sup>st</sup> Grade – 5 פסוקים
- ☐ 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  
this פרשה in the amount specified for his class.

☐ **Bonus: Did double the grade required amount!**

Parent's signature



Dear Parents שיחיו,  
Our YKOR Staff will B'eZRas HaShem do their best to be available to greet their Talmidim on Purim during the hours listed below.

#### HANHALAH

Rabbi Rudinsky	82 Forshay Road, Monsey	After 12:00
Rabbi Brodie	64 Parker Boulevard Monsey, NY 10952	7:00 PM-8:00 PM (Purim Day)
Rabbi Rawicki	10 Bush Lane unit 301, New Square (right side of house)	11:30 – 1:30
Rabbi Gottlieb	115 West Carlton Road, Suffern	After 1:00
Mrs. Plotzker	42 Plum Road Monsey, NY 10952	10:30 – 12:00

#### PRE-SCHOOL

Miss Minya Bessler - P	11 Barnacle Drive Spring Valley, NY 10977	12:30 – 2:00
Mrs. Chaya Yehudis Dank - K	Will be joining the class party at the Adler home	-
Mrs. Perel Fishman - P	22 Jacaruso Drive Spring valley NY	1:00-3:00 For other times call (no WhatsApp) 845-274-1290
Morah Deena Goldring - P	31 Sandy Brook Drive, spring valley NY	11:00-12:30
Miss Fraydie Heineman	Will be giving out mishloach manos in school	-
Miss Sarita Koslovsky - P	23 Ellington Way, Spring Valley, NY 10977	10:00-11:30
Miss Rivky Preis - P	22 Holland Lane, Monsey, NY 10952	11:00-2:00
Miss Shirel Salvay - P	11 Pasadena Place, Spring Valley, NY 10977 UNITED STATES	11:00-12:30
Morah Jenny Silverstone - K	Will be joining the class party at the Adler home	-
Mrs. Malky Tauber - P	4 Francis Pl. Monsey Ny, Monsey, NY 10952	Look out for an email with details
Mrs. Sury Weisberg - K	33 Olympia Lane Monsey NY 10952, back door downstairs	11:00-1:00

#### REBBEIM

Rabbi Biller – 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	45 Jacaruso Drvie, Unit 101 Spring Valley, NY 10977	11:00 – 12:30
Rabbi Gonter – 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> grade	At Rabbi Peikes's house	1:45 – 2:45 Mincha at 2:30
Rabbi Horowitz – 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	17 Kiryas Radin Drive Monsey Ny , Spring Valley, NY 10977	12:30 – 2:30
Rabbi Kahana – 8 <sup>th</sup> grade	At Rabbi Peikes's house	2:00 – 3:00
Rabbi Katz	240 Bates Drive Monsey, NY 10952	12:30 -1:30
Rabbi Kohn – 6 <sup>th</sup> grade	158 Marrietta Ave, Passaic, NJ 07055 Rebbi will give out mishloach manos on Taanis Esther.	Please call in advance if planning of going over
Rabbi Lowy – 4 <sup>th</sup> grade	175 Middleton Street Apt.4B, Brooklyn, NY 11206 Rebbi will give out mishloach manos on Taanis Esther	-
Rabbi Meth	23 5th Street, Lakewood, NJ 08701	-



Rabbi Muntner	643 New Hempstead Road, Spring Valley	12:00 – 1:30
Rabbi Myski – 1 <sup>st</sup> grade	12 Horizon Court, Unit #202, Monsey	11:00 – 12:30
Rabbi Peikes – 8 <sup>th</sup> grade	3 Jodi Court, Monsey Mincha & Seuda with Rabbi Rabbi Prupas & Rabbi Kahana	1:45 – 2:45 Mincha at 2:30
Rabbi Plotzker	42 Plum Road, Monsey	10:30 – 12:00
Rabbi Prupas – 7 <sup>th</sup> grade	At Rabbi Peikes's house	2:00 – 3:00
Rabbi Robinson – 5 <sup>th</sup> grade	18 Dorothy Drive, Spring Valley	11:30 – 1:30
Rabbi Zipper	177 Bates Drive Monsey, NY 10952	11:00 – 12:30

#### GENERAL STUDIES TEACHERS

Mrs. Bender – 1 <sup>st</sup> grade	Will be joining the class party	-
Mrs. Shani Elbaum – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Will be joining the class party	-
Mrs. Rachel Frankel – 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	Will be joining the class party	-
Mrs. Friedman - Resource	34 Brockton Road, Spring Valley (can call to request different time 558-1682)	10:00-12:00
Mrs. Gendel – 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	Will give at the class part at Mrs. Gendels' home 24 skyline drive- Thiells ny	10:15-10:45
Rabbi Gottlieb – 6 <sup>th</sup> 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> grade	115 West Carlton Road, Suffern	After 1:00
Mrs. Rikki Grunfeld – 2 <sup>nd</sup>	4 Nancy Lane , Spring Valley, NY 10977	
Rabbi Kahana – 6 <sup>th</sup> 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> grade	At Rabbi Peikes's house	-
Mrs. Leibovic – 5 <sup>th</sup> grade	15 Rose Hill Road, Suffern	12:30-2:30
Mrs. Mann – 4 <sup>th</sup> grade and Middle School	10 Barrie Drive, New Hempstead	1:00 – 2:30
Miss Mitzmann – 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	Will be joining the class party at the Beller home	-
Ms. Paretzky – 6 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> grade	79 Southgate Drive Spring Valley, NY 10977	12:00-1:30
Rabbi Perry – 8 <sup>th</sup> grade	37 Deerwood Road, Suffern	9:30 – 10:30
Mrs. Radzik – 1 <sup>st</sup> grade	7 Caville Drive, Monsey (off Old Nyack)	11:15-3:15
Miss Schwartz – math support/resource	10 Skyline Terrace Spring Valley, NY 10977	12:00 – 1:30
Mrs. Stein – 4 <sup>th</sup> grade	Will be joining the class party	-
Rabbi Wincelberg	251 Grandview Ave, Suffern, NY 10901	
Rabbi Zipper	177 Bates Drive Monsey, NY 10952	11:00 – 12:30

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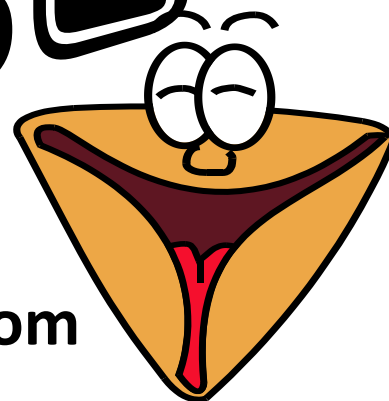
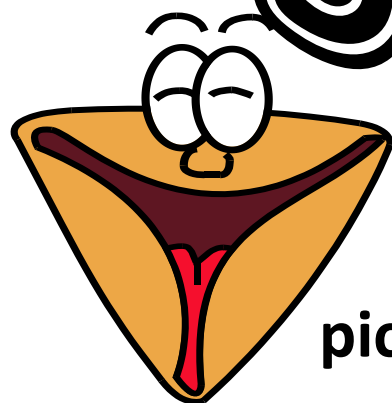


לִיהוּדִים הִיטָה אֹרֶה וּשְׂמִיחָה

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**SMILE**



Please email to:

[pictures@ohrreuven.com](mailto:pictures@ohrreuven.com)

1 picture (only)

of your son/s dressed up in his costume!

We are looking forward to decorating our bulletin board with them after Purim.

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