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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday
November 1, 2026
1st grade Hascholas Chumash

Friday
November 6, 2026
Torah Umesorah Convention
N-BM No Sessions

Wednesday
November 11, 2026
No Transportation
Dismissal N-K @ 3:00 PM, P-8 @ 4:00 PM

Thursday
November 26, 2026
Rebbeim-In-Service
No Transportation
Dismissal N-8 @ 1:00 PM

IMPORTANT NOTES

Next week :
Friday
November 6, 2026
Torah Umesorah Convention
N-BM No Sessions

MESIVTA



Mordechai Frommer, raffle winner for Bein Hazmanim learning

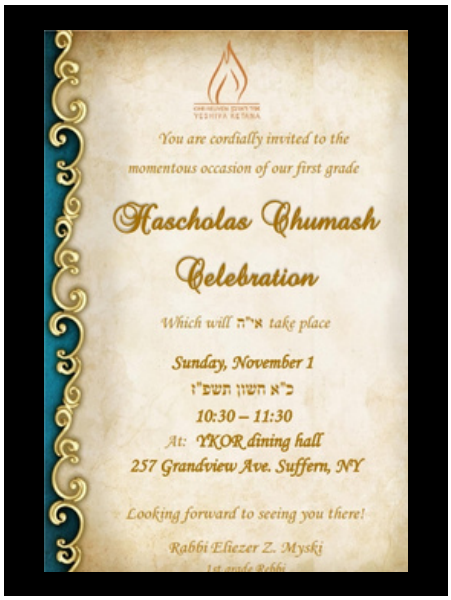




Moshe Kidubi, 11th Grade, making a Chazara Siyum on Maseches Sukkah



Sixth Grade talmidim enjoyed a well-earned pizza celebration in recognition of their outstanding participation in the Sukkos Learning Program



Mazel Tov to Rabbi Myski's 1st Grade on reaching this exciting milestone of their Hascholas Chumash. May their לימוד התורה continue with enthusiasm and הצלחה for many years to come!!



Special shout out to our exceptional 5th graders who very diligently completed their workbook sheets in Rabbi Kops' class

MAZEL TOV!

Daniel, Nosson & Raphael Levi on their new baby brother!
Aryeh Margulies on his Bar Mitzvah!
Yosef Mayerfeld on his Bar Mitzvah!

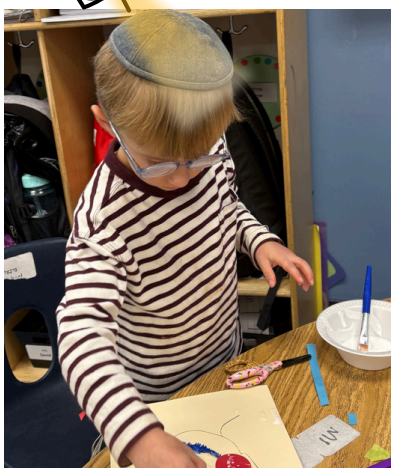
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

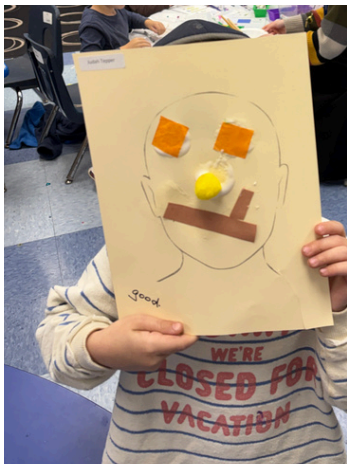
Asher Weg, 4th
Maier Greenstein, 2nd
Yehoshua Leib Greenstein, 2nd
Moshe Aaron Herzka, K-1
Levi Yitzchak Soofian, P-1
Heshy Shtaygrud, K-2



Talmidim proudly received their "Sleeping in the Sukkah" rewards

SPOTLIGHT ON PRESCHOOL





P-1 using loose parts to make self portraits during art time



P-2 playing outside



N-1 acting out the Parsha

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שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום

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This week's program is NOT YET SPONSORED

- ☐ 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

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

Monthly (4 weeks) sponsorship: $220
One week full sponsorship: $60
One week partial sponsorship: $35

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

My son _____ in grade _____completed
שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום for this פרשה
in the amount specified for his class.
____ Bonus: He did double the grade required amount!

Parents sig._____

וירא

Sacrifice

וַיֹּאמֶר אַבְרָהָם אֱלֹק-ים יִרְאֶה־לּוֹ הַשֶּׂה לְעֹלָה בְּנִי וַיֵּלְכוּ שְׁנֵיהֶם יַחְדָּו׃

And Abraham said, "It is G-d who will see to the sheep for this burnt offering, my son." And the two of them walked on together.

יראה לו השה. כְּלוֹמַר יִרְאֶה וְיִבְחַר לוֹ הַשֶּׂה, וְאִם אֵין שֶׂה, לעולה בני. וְאַף עַל פִּי שֶׁהֵבִין יִצְחָק שֶׁהוּא הוֹלֵךְ לְהִשָּׁחֵט, וילכו שניהם יחדו. בְּלֵב שָׁוֶה׃

He will look out for and choose a lamb for Himself, and if there will be no lamb for a burnt offering, then, בני ,"MY SON", will be the offering. Although Yitzchak then understood that he was travelling on to be slain, yet "THEY WENT BOTH OF THEM TOGETHER" — with the same ready heart

- Rashi

Don't worry that children never listen to you; worry that they are always watching you."

- Robert Fulghum

The great *gaon,* Rav Yechiel Yaakov Weinberg, had a front-row seat to the upheavals that rocked the Jewish world before, during, and after World War I. Centuries of tradition were wantonly discarded by idealistic but misguided youths who flocked to utopian ideals and systems, far from the Judaism of their fathers and grandfathers.

Rav Weinberg wrote and spoke extensively about the challenges facing traditional Judaism, and he compiled a selection of those speeches in a published volume titled, "Lifrakim." Among his *derashos* is a series of addresses directed at both Jewish fathers and mothers in the challenging times in which he lived. Rav Weinberg's observations are as relevant today as they were when he first spoke them 100 years ago.

Rav Weinberg notes the courage and fortitude displayed by Yitzchak as he accompanied his father to the *akeidah*, even after he knew it was he who would be the sacrifice brought that day. Rav Weinberg questions why the youth of his day did not display similar strength, courage, and fortitude in their approach to Judaism and to life. His answer: one must look to where Yitzchak drew his strength from to understand wherein the youth fail today.

His premise: Yitzchak was prepared and primed for sacrifice because he grew up witnessing the never-ending sacrifice of his father, Avraham. In the house in which Yitzchak was raised, there was no question or doubt that one places G-d's needs and desires above his own. Yitzchak watched his father, day in and day out, work tirelessly to host and serve guests and to carry out the will of Hashem. Sacrifice was not only in Yitzchak's DNA, it was baked into him by observation and osmosis in growing up at his father's feet.

Rav Weinberg eloquently, but clearly laid blame for the malaise of the youth at the feet of the fathers. The children of the day, he explained, were not prepared to sacrifice for Judaism for they did not grow up witnessing sacrifice.

In that idea, Rav Weinberg sees the link between the disparate reasons brought for the blowing of the *shofar*, to recall *akeidas Yitzchok*, but also to spur us to *teshuva* for our personal shortcomings. Those two, he explains, are inextricably connected, the memory of the

akeidah and its contrast to the youth of today a stark reminder of our own shortcomings that have led those youths to be so different from their forefather Yitzchak. The Shofar reminds us that our children aren't Yitzchak because we are not Avraham. The sacrifice of an *akeidah* will only be fostered in our youth if we perfect ourselves to an Avraham level of sacrifice.

Rav Weinberg's powerful *drasha* needs no adaptation to understand its impact for parenting. The single most important influence on our children is not what we teach them. It is who we are. They will become what we model for them.

Good Shabbos,
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
Principal

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פַּרְשַׁת וַיֵּרָא

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Luving Living Like A Yid



On the Parsha

Pesukim from the Parsha

וְאֶל הַבָּקָר רָץ אַבְרָהָם

And to the cattle Avraham ran

Although in pain from the מִילָה, he ran with excitement to do a מִצְוָה.

וְאָנֹכִי עָפָר וָאֵפֶר

And I am dust and ash

As great as Avraham was, he remained humble, knowing all is from ה׳

וַיַּשְׁכֵּם אַבְרָהָם בַּבֹּקֶר וַיַּחֲבֹשׁ אֶת חֲמ�ֹרוֹ

And Avraham got up early in the morning and saddled his donkey

Although it was a great challenge, Avraham knew he was going to do something very challenging (the עֲקֵידָה) he didn't hesitate, rather he got up and faced the challenge head on, with complete אֱמוּנָה in ה׳.

Some Other Parsha Topics

אַבְרָהָם וְשָׂרָה בְּאֶרֶץ פְּלִישְׁתִּים

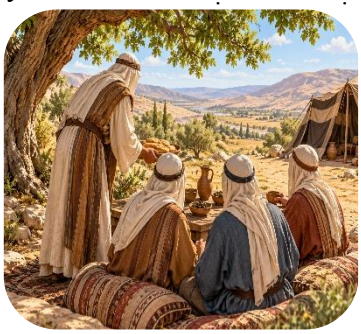
מְקוֹר שֵׁם ״יְרוּשָׁלַיִם״

Points from the Parsha

1) On the 3rd day after אַבְרָהָם אָבִינוּ's בְּרִית מִילָה, ה׳ made it very hot so he wouldn't be bothered with guests, and as heat heals. אַבְרָהָם still wanted to do הַכְנָסַת אוֹרְחִים so ה׳ sent 3 מַלְאָכִים in disguise to visit him. When אַבְרָהָם saw them he ran to greet them and then ran to get them food. The מַלְאָכִים "ate" and informed אַבְרָהָם that in a year he would have a son.

2) Afterwards, two of the מַלְאָכִים went to סְדוֹם. When they arrived, לוֹט invited them in, hoping no one would see him. His wife, however, told a neighbor, and soon the town came to punish לוֹט and the guests for the 'terrible crime' of הַכְנָסַת אוֹרְחִים.

3) The מַלְאָכִים caused the people to be blind and grabbed לוֹט and his family and fled סְדוֹם. As סְדוֹם and its neighboring cities were being destroyed, לוֹט's wife turned around, and מִדָּה כְּנֶגֶד מִדָּה was transformed into a pillar of salt.



4) לוֹט ran away with his 2 daughters. While away, each daughter had a child. The older daughter named her son מוֹאָב and the younger daughter named her son עַמּוֹן. These were the originators of those nations.

5) On the 15th of נִיסָן, (which was to become the 1st day of פֶּסַח,) שָׂרָה gave birth to יִצְחָק. אַבְרָהָם was now 100 years old and שָׂרָה was 90.

6) When יִשְׁמָעֵאל was 15, he began to openly behave badly. שָׂרָה told אַבְרָהָם to send הָגָר and יִשְׁמָעֵאל away. ה׳ told אַבְרָהָם to listen. On the way, יִשְׁמָעֵאל became sick and davened to ה׳ to help him. At that moment he was righteous, so a נֵס happened, and a well appeared for him. (We layn this on רֹאשׁ הַשָּׁנָה to show that ה׳ only judges us on how we are at that moment.)

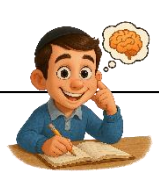
7) When אַבְרָהָם was 137, יִצְחָק was 37. אַבְרָהָם successfully passed 9 tests. Hashem appeared to אַבְרָהָם and told him the final of the 10 tests – to bring up יִצְחָק as a קָרְבָּן.

8) אַבְרָהָם and יִצְחָק, with אֱלִיעֶזֶר and יִשְׁמָעֵאל, traveled for 3 days and finally arrived at הַר הַמּוֹרִיָּה, the future place of the בֵּית הַמִּקְדָּשׁ. אַבְרָהָם and יִצְחָק traveled up the mountain alone. As אַבְרָהָם was about to shecht יִצְחָק, a מַלְאָךְ called out and told him to stop. אַבְרָהָם desperately wanted to bring a קָרְבָּן, and ה׳ made a special ram appear, which אַבְרָהָם brought as a קָרְבָּן. This נִסָּיוֹן is known as the עֲקֵידָה and its זְכוּת stands for כְּלַל יִשְׂרָאֵל forever.

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Yedios from the Parsha



Easy way to remember all 10 tests (Tests acc. to רע״ב)
using the name 'אַבְרָהָם אָבִינוּ'.
(These are not in timeline order)

א אוּר כַּשְׂדִּים Thrown into fiery furnace of King Nimrod	**ב** בְּרִית בֵּין הַבְּתָרִים A nevuoh of the trials of Bnei Yisroel thoughout the generations	**ר** רָעָב Arriving in promised land to realize there was a famine	**ה** (אֶל) הָאָרֶץ Leaving his homeland to an unknown destination	**ם** מִצְרַיִם Sorah Imeinu being captured by פַּרְעֹה, King of Mitzrayim
א אֲבִימֶלֶךְ Sorah Imeinu being captured by אֲבִימֶלֶךְ, King of Plishtim	**ב** בְּרִית מִילָה Fulfilling the command to do bris milah at 99 years old.	**י** יִשְׁמָעֵאל וְהָגָר Sending away his wife, Hagar, and son, Yishmael	**נ** נְמְרוֹד Nephew, Lot, captured. Rescuing him from the 4 kings	**ו** וְעַקֵידַת יִצְחָק Offering up his own son as a korban

When הָגָר and יִשְׁמָעֵאל were sent away, יִשְׁמָעֵאל developed a fever and needed water.
הָגָר didn't realize that there was a well right in front of her until ה׳ 'opened her eyes' to see it.

The מְדְרַשׁ רַבָּה (בְּרֵאשִׁית נ״ג, י״ד) tells us that if a person has lost something it is a segulah to find the object to say the following (based on the above):

אָמַר רַבִּי בִּנְיָמִין: הַכֹּל בְּחֶזְקַת סוּמִין, עַד שֶׁהַקָּדוֹשׁ בָּרוּךְ הוּא מֵאִיר אֶת עֵינֵיהֶם, מִן הָכָא: "וַיִּפְקַח אֱלֹקִים אֶת עֵינֶיהָ, וַתֵּלֶךְ וַתְּמַלֵּא הַחֵמֶת".

(You should say ה׳'s Name when saying אֱלֹקִים.)





Middos and Emunah from the Parsha

וַיַּרְא וְהִנֵּה שְׁלֹשָׁה אֲנָשִׁים ... וַיָּרָץ לִקְרָאתָם... וַיְמַהֵר אַבְרָהָם ...וַיֹּאמֶר מַהֲרִי ...
וְאֶל הַבָּקָר רָץ אַבְרָהָם ...וַיְמַהֵר לַעֲשׂוֹת אֹתוֹ:

אַבְרָהָם אָבִינוּ saw the three men approaching. Although he was in pain from his בְּרִית מִילָה
he didn't ignore them, he didn't hesitate, he didn't walk slowly, he **ran**!
And he kept on rushing!
אַבְרָהָם אָבִינוּ saw an opportunity to help someone – no matter who they were –
he didn't wait, he rushed, to be able to do a חֶסֶד for another individual.

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