

A PEEK INTO OUR WEEK

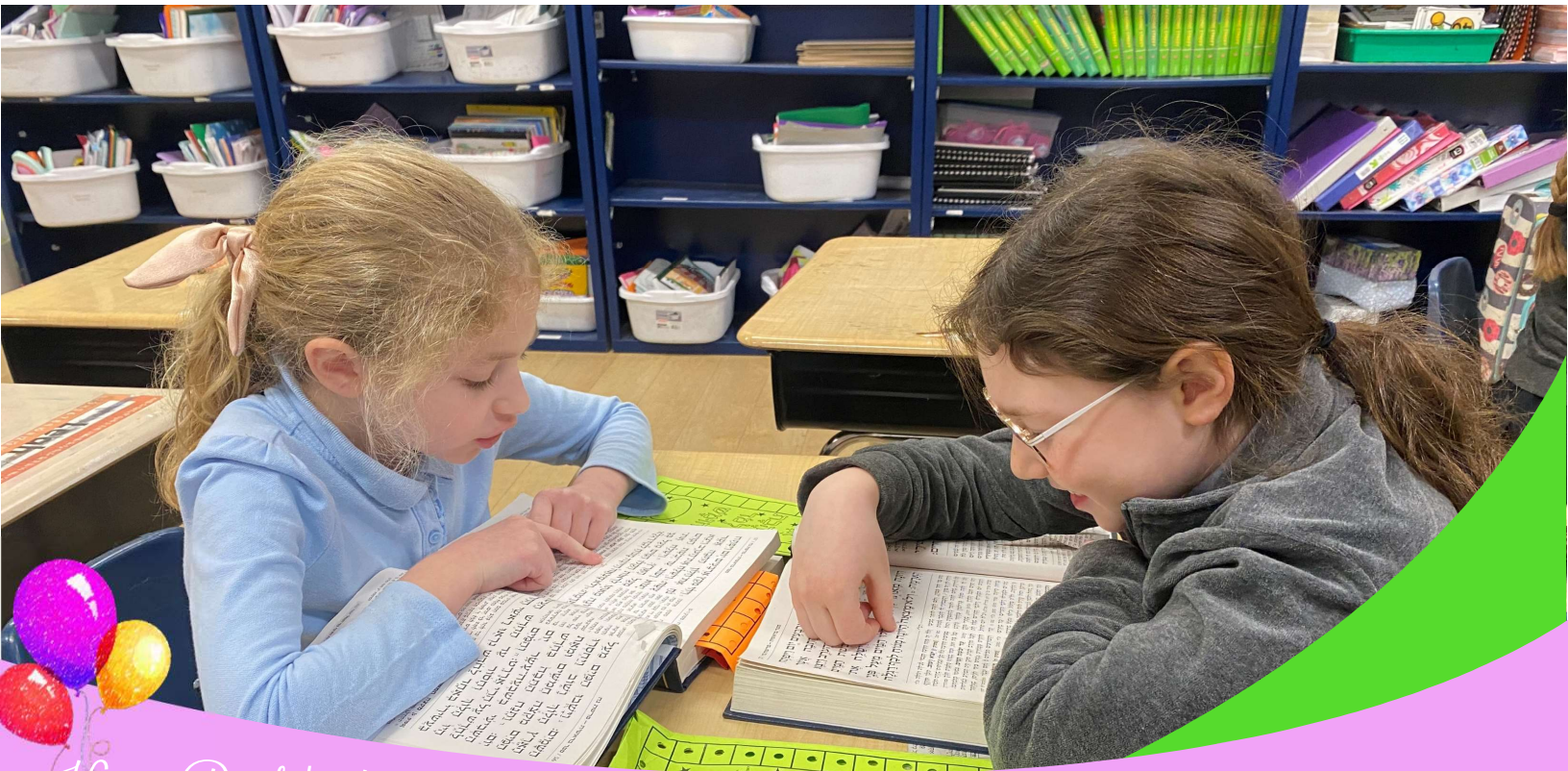


A MESSAGE FROM MORAH TEITZ

Our BYC תלמידות are learning about the power of תפילה and the opportunity to connect to הקב"ה every minute of the day. תפילה, is our precious chance to speak to ה' and to feel how close we can be to Him.

In this weeks פרשה, פרשה asks משה רבינו numerous times to daven to ה' to take the מכות away. Rav Yerucham Levovitz explains, that the recurring act of פרעה beseeching משה רבינו to daven to הקב"ה to remove the מכות is a lesson for every yid.

The only way to obtain something that we need is to daven! Through תפילה we are able to achieve things in this world. As we strengthen our תפילות during this time of צרה for כלל ישראל, may we all be זוכה to having our תפילות answered לטובה!



Happy Birthday!

- Esty Davis
- Rivka Bayla Klug
- Tova Mittel

- Chaya Sara Nissenbaum
- Rivka Miriam Driller

Coming Up Next Week
Monday - State Fair – 4th grade



ראש חדש שבט

The power of תפילה is our focus this month.
ה' "connects" us to תפילה.



Thank you 'n for snow!



In and Around BYC



Painting a snowy scene on the window, coloring snow, making pasta from scratch; all in a day's fun in Pre 1A.



Mrs. Wolinsky's 6th grade history class played a fun trivia review game in preparation for the test.



Miss Grunhaus' 7th graders are making prosthetic hands in biology.



3rd graders are learning how to use impressive vocabulary in their paragraph writing.



Miss Stein's 5th grade class made their very own animal cell models.



Morah Pollack's 6th grade had so much fun with hands-on review for their חנוכה midterm.



2nd grade learned about different landforms and then created their own out of clay.



Miss Reichman's 4th graders made 3-D rectangles to practice area.



Morah Szpilzinger's תלמידות celebrated a ל"ט מלאכות סיום with a finger-knitting activity.



'ב' completed their צפית לישועה chart and earned a new charm for their bracelets.



ספר בראשית חידון א סטת כתה ה'.



6th graders are producing homemade musical instruments after learning about the principles of sound.



Kayla Gilbert and Atara Lehman created their own volcano.



The assembly נועם שבת highlighted the mitzvah of הדלקת נרות.



Morah Bassy's 'ב' talmidos made edible תורה in honor of שבת חזק.



Pre 1A-2 graders celebrated the completion of their reading program. Thank you, Mrs. Feder for the fabulous assembly.



Remember to RSVP for the mother/daughter brunch.

A Grandmother's Tefilla at Candle Lighting

Zalmy's grandmother didn't always keep Shabbos. She never had Kiddush, never went to shul, never lit candles Friday night. Until one day, a lady stood at her door. "I have a present for you," the neighbor said, handing her a set of shiny candlesticks. "Candlesticks?" Zalmy's grandmother thought to herself. "I don't keep Shabbos. What will I do with Shabbos candlesticks? Nevertheless, she accepted the gift with a smile- because she learned to be thankful when someone gives you a gift, even if you don't like it.

The next Friday night, when she came home from work, she stopped and stared at the candlesticks. She remembered how her mother used to light candles every Friday. Her mother used to cover her eyes and cry in front of the candles. She once asked her mother, "Why are you crying?" Tears of joy streamed down her mother's cheeks. "Candle lighting is a special time," she said. "It's when Jewish mothers thank Hashem for their blessings, and pray for their children."

The memories stirred deep emotions in Zalmy's grandmother. She felt close to her mother and all the Jewish mothers who bring in Shabbos with candle lighting. She knew that she wanted to be like them. She wanted to light candles too.

From that day on, Zalmy's grandmother lit candles every Friday night, with Zalmy looking on. As she covered her eyes, she davened for her children and grandchildren. She davened that her grandchildren would grow up to be like David Ben Gurion, the Prime Minister of Israel. Even though she didn't keep Shabbos, she still lit candles every week. One day, her husband, Zalman Oren came home, bubbling with excitement. "Today, we went to Bnei Brak," he told his wife. (Zalman Oren was Ben Gurion's closest aide and always went with him. "We went to meet a famous rabbi known as the Chazon Ish. I couldn't believe such great people exist!" he exclaimed. For the next few days, Mr. Oren couldn't stop talking about the great Chazon Ish (Rav Avraham Karelitz). Mrs. Oren never saw her husband so inspired. That Friday night, as she lit Shabbos candles, she thought, "If my husband and Ben Gurion both think so highly of the Chazon Ish, he must be very special!" So she started davening that her grandchildren should grow up to be like the great Chazon Ish!

From that day on, Zalmy's grandmother continued to shed tears at candle lighting, begging Hashem that her grandchildren grow to be like the Chazon Ish. Years later, a man named Moshe was davening the Great Synagogue in Hertziliya, Israel. He spotted a young religious man who looked exactly like his old friend Zalmy Oren! He asked the young man, "Are you related to Zalman Oren?" "I'm his grandson," the young man answered. "Amazing!" burst out Moshe unable to contain his surprise. It was hard to imagine that Zalman Oren, who was not religious, and never kept Shabbos, would have a grandson like this- a religious Ben Torah! The young man smiled. He told Moshe about his grandmother's *tefillah*. "My grandmother's *tefillah* was very simple," said Zalmy. "She was not a great rabbi, or the wife of a great rabbi. Yet Hashem answered her *tefillah*- and now she has a grandson who is *shomer Torah u'Mitzvos*."

The power of a mother's *tefillah* at candle lighting!



תפילה

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