



# SCHOOL SHMOOZE

לקראת שבת פ' בראשית ה'תשפ"ד

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Dear parents of the BCM family,

As we left school for Sukkos break, our school and entire community lost one of our precious Talmidos; עטרה ליבא ע"ה בת יבלחט"א ר' שמעון. Needless to say, we are still in shock and in pain over this tremendous tragic and untimely loss. The Rebbe teaches us that our mandate is לבו ורחמי יתן אל לבו. We have begun working on various projects and initiatives which will be launched to remember Atara ע"ה in BCM and throughout the GTA. Stay tuned for the Neshek project launch next week IYH. A beautiful bulletin board was professionally designed and will be proudly displayed in BCM. The Talmidos will spread Atara's light by distributing Neshek throughout the GTA. Details will follow about more initiatives as well. Thank you to the Committee of Mothers and all those who are helping make these projects a reality. May we only share in Simchos until the ultimate Simcha of קבלת פני משיח צדקינו may it be NOW!

I'd like to wish a hearty Mazel Tov to Rabbi and Mrs. Rosenfeld in honour of the birth of a grandson. May his parents raise him לחופה, לתורה, לחופה ולמעשים טובים מתוך הרחבה.

What a pleasure it was to welcome back our תלמידות after שמחת תורה! We immediately jumped into the הלך לדרכו mode. This year, we even did that before school resumed. Due to the current events in Eretz Yisroel, we had a big Achdus rally of צדקה, תפילה, on Isru Chag. The rally was well attended BH. Talmidos, remember the Hachlatos you made at the rally as our increase in our commitment to Torah and Mitzvos is what is going to protect the אידן wherever they may be, especially our brothers and sisters in Eretz Yisroel and the soldiers on the front lines.

On that note, please note that **THIS Shabbos is שבת בראשית!** Our Rebbeim tell us **אזוי ווי מען שטעלט זיך אוועק שבת בראשית אזוי פירט זיך א גאנץ יאר**— Our conduct on Shabbos Beraishis influences the entire year. Let's start it on the right foot by getting up to say Tehillim as it is **שבת מברכים מרחשון!**

The first פרשה of the Torah, בראשית, gives us an account of the creation of the world, and concludes with the words, ויכל אלקים ביום השביעי מלאכתו אשר עשה, And 'He finished on the seventh day the work which He had made. How does this פסוק fit in with the prohibition against מלאכה on שבת? If 'He completed the creation of the world on the seventh day, does it not imply that some מלאכה was done on that day too? Rashi solves our problem by explaining that 'His clock is more precise than our own. Human beings, who cannot measure time as accurately as 'He Himself, must cease from work several minutes before nightfall to make sure we do not violate שבת. However, 'He knows exactly when "the seventh day" begins, and He went on creating the world right up until the last moment. To us, whose vision is not so perfect, it would have appeared as if 'He ceased to work on שבת itself. Every letter, word and sentence in the תורה is precise, and is there in order to teach us something positive. What then are we to conclude from the fact that 'He continued His work right up until the very last possible instant, something which we must be careful not to do? We are taught by our חכמים that 'He "created nothing superfluous in His world," including the creation of time itself. Every organism, every object, and every minute has been created with a Divine purpose in mind, and must be fully utilized and not squandered. Even one second can make a difference. Every person in the world is created with his own individual talents and abilities, and each of us is given the right circumstances in which we may use them to the fullest. At this time in history, the end of the sixth millennium since the creation of the world, we stand at the threshold of המשיח. We can counter the claims of a person who says that his actions hold no importance, as our גלות is almost over and that only a few minutes remain. How can an insignificant individual possibly add to the accumulated מצוות of the generations who went before us, including our forefathers, משה רבינו, the נביאים and the אנאמוראים who were superior to us in every way? he may ask. The תורה however, teaches us that the opposite is true. Every minute we are allotted is precious, and indeed, the whole of creation may hinge on a single second. Even a tiny good deed can tip the scale and bring Moshiach now, the culmination of the entire creation.

Girls' Tehillim @ Lubavitch will be held upstairs from 9:30-10:00 followed by a raffle for the participants. Thank you Mrs. Stevens for running this program.

**NEW!!! A brand new Tehillim program** for girls is starting this Shabbos Mevorchim for girls who live **South of Steeles**. The program will take place at 10:30AM at JNY Shul. Thank you Mrs. Karpilovsky for spearheading this initiative.

Talmidos from grades 1-6 received their Tehillim Quota cards. Please check your daughter's card before Shabbos. This way, you can modify her Tehillim quota if you need to do so. This can be done by logging into your Tzivos Hashem parent account. **Let's increase our quotas to help our brothers and sisters in Eretz Yisroel and bring Moshiach NOW!!!**

See in the upcoming pages for the incentives for your grade as we have a special for this month!!! I'd like to thank an anonymous sponsor for sponsoring the prizes לעלוי נשמת ממח שמחה בת יהודה ע"ה.

**Pizza lunches are back for grades 1-8** IYH and the first one is this upcoming Monday א' מרחשון/October 16. You should have received an email to order your pizza online for this month. A slice of pizza is \$3 and a drink is \$1.25. Please check your email and fill out the form **by Sunday ל' תשרי/October 15 at noon**.

**Reminder: Curriculum night** will be this upcoming **Tuesday evening ב' מרחשון/October 17**. Schedule will follow after Shabbos IYH.

### Security reminder:

It is so important that we remember the Rebbe's words to us and stay focused on our goal, especially during these times.

The Rebbe clearly addresses the situation we are in and says that:

- 1) Our strength is with our mouth, words of Torah and Tefillah.
- 2) We should give Tzedaka. Even though as Chasidim we think good, this should not diminish the amount of Tzedaka we need to give. The Rebbe recommends that instead of fasting, as it is recommended in Shulchan Oruch, we should be giving the equivalent of 3 meals to Tzedaka. On a personal note, I just did that for the safety of the Talmidos and staff of BCM.
- 3) Increase in Tehillim by reciting an additional 3 Kapitelach and one of them should be Kapital 150.
- 4) Encourage Men, Women and Children, without scaring them, to increase their commitment to Torah and Mitzvos in an abundant way and with complete faith.

At this point, we have done everything in our power to increase in security measures as per our earlier communication to you. Tomorrow, the Talmidos will do just that in school. תורה, תפילה, צדקה. Let's remain focused, increase in everything the Rebbe tells us to increase in, and we will win this war with the coming of Moshiach NOW!

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## Grade 1

We had a very busy week in First Grade reviewing our letters and catching up. We were also introduced to the letter D and had a great time making donuts! We are looking forward to a full week next week and getting back into routine! Thank you Mrs. Landa

## Grade 2

We already learned 12 Pesukim in Chumash and are sharpening our decoding skills- finding Shorashim, recognizing suffixes and prefixes, Mi Amar El Mi... In Davening, we added Boruch She'amar. We enjoy our Yiddish Lieder very much! In Ivris we are learning how to tell if a word is Zochor or Nekeiva. This Shabbos is Shabbos Mevorchim. We will try to say lots of Tehillim to help the Yidden in Eretz Yisroel and to bring the Geula NOW. Thank you Mrs. Rosenfeld

We got straight into learning this week! In Chumash we have embarked on an exciting journey together with Avraham Avinu down to Eretz Mitzvrayim! We are excited to continue next week and see how the story unfolds. Our Chumash Milim banks are growing by the day! Parsha came alive this week as we explored the different stories that happened on each day of creation. Kita Beis is working hard to add bricks to our growing wall of Mitzvos for the security of the Yidden in Eretz Yisroel. Besuros Tovos and have a Good Shabbos! Thank you Miss Landa



## Grade 3

Eisav staggered into class demanding soup, but he's not getting it unless he sells the bechora, with it's rights of the Beis Hamikdosh and Eretz Yisroel! How appropriate for this difficult week, where we are fighting for the safety of Yidden in Eretz Yisroel and around the world! We put up a map of Eretz Yisroel and we are aiming to fill up every inch of it with our most powerful weapons of Torah, Tefilla, and Tzedakah. Thank you Mrs. Rabiski



ויעקב הלך לדרכו was really taken literally this week in Kita Gimmel as we packed in all the inspiration for Tishrei into our suitcases to make sure that the 'battery charge' lasts us a while! In Chumash class we discussed which of our classmates have a bechor in their family who will have the special privilege of serving in the Beis Hamikdash when Moshiach comes. Hm that for a bowl of soup? Did you know that we can say a full sentence in Hebrew? The girls have been mastering some important words in Ivris which we spot all around our classroom each day! Thank you Miss Goldberg





Mazel tov to Chana Landa, Mushkie Kamchaji, Brochie Gorman and Miriam Gittel Selkowitz who have passed the first level in their 'Tfilloto' chart and moved on to Pink, keep up the beautiful Chayus and Kavana in Davening! — מפי עוללים ויונקים יסדת עוז —

Our class has been adding in our Torah, Tefillah and Tzedakah fighting the Ruchniyus battle for Eretz Yisrael. See picture attached of the map of Eretz Yisrael being filled with the extra Torah, Tefillah and Tzedakah that the girls have been doing.

May we share good news! Thank you Miss Goldberg



## Grade 4

How can this be said more accurately but... Atara, we miss you 🥺😭🥺 !! In every activity, from Rashi Round Robin.. to meeting Yehoshua and discovering his first job as leader.. to continuing to learn about Yakov finding out about Yosef.. to our Toldos Chabad scrapbook.. to starting Birchas Yakov... your absence, and simultaneously your connection, is felt. Moshiach now!! Mrs. Zaltzman



This week we finished our map unit and we're also finished our first math unit on place before and rounding. Place value games were fun! Looking forward to next week :) Mrs. Doron



## Junior High Grades

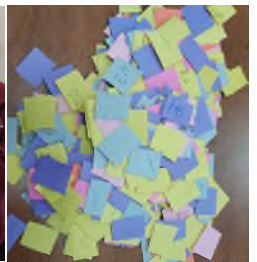
It was so nice to see all the girls back after yom tov, full of energy to continue learning! Starting to learn the Kitzur for the first time, the importance of the possuk, looking up answers to the parsha questions on our own, and the lessons we learn from Chana's tefilla has kept us very busy this week! Have a wonderful shabbos! Mrs. Karpilovsky



It was nice to once again be back in school learning and davening together. With Atara A"H and Eretz Yisroel on our hearts and minds we intensified our davening, Learning, and Ahavas Yisroel. The girls created a map of Eretz Yisroel where they place a push pin for each Mitzvah they do. The map is quickly filling up. We are certain that every Mitzvah is helping us win this war and bring about the final Geulah! We BH finished Perek Aleph, and the girls did beautifully on their first Chumash Test. They have shown how much they've grown in their abilities and skills in such a short time. (Cont.)

So much Tehillim has been said by our girls over the month of Tishrei, including Shabbos Mevarchim Tishrei, Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur. EVERY SINGLE girl said Tehillim on Rosh Hashana, and over 20 girls finished the entire Tehillim!! This is a HUGE accomplishment and something to be proud of. The girls were rewarded with Milkshakes and a few dollar Jumps. Each Raffle ticket represented 10 Kapitalach or 15 minutes of Tehillim. There were Hundreds of Tickets!! Mazal tov to the Dollar Jump winners: Mushka Overlander, Raizel Nelkin, Bassie Lakher, Rosie Landa, Leah Rabiski. Looking forward to the next week of school being in

Yerushalayim with Moshiach! Thank you Mrs. Zaltzman



## Tzivos Hashem

### SHABBOS MEVORCHIM CHESHVAN

*"IF ONLY YOU KNEW"*  
THE POWER OF TEHILLEM

Over Shabbos I  
said: \_\_\_\_  
Kapitelach:

I spent \_\_\_\_  
minutes saying  
Tehillem over  
Shabbos

If you **said at least 20 Kapitelach** or spent at  
**least half hour saying Tehillem** over Shabbos,  
hand in this paper for a chocolate donut!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

If you doubled that quota and said either 40  
Kapitelach or spent at least an hour saying  
Tehillem over Shabbos, you will be put into a raffle  
for a **SIPS GIFT CARD!**

This Shabbos Mevorchim push yourself and say **MORE THAN** your regular quota! It's YOU'RE Tehillim that destroys the enemy!! Every girl that gives in her Tehillim quota card gets a can of a yummy drink!

B"H

שבת מברכים חשוון

Please wake

at \_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_ AM  
to say Tehillim!  
**My Tehillim has  
so much power!!**

I said \_\_\_\_ kapitelach  
for \_\_\_\_ minutes

Bring this note in signed to enter a  
raffle!

**Your Tehillim is so  
powerful! We're counting  
on you!**

**Special for this Shabbos:**  
bring in your door hanger,  
and fill it out for every  
kapital/ minute that you  
say above your quota, to  
be put into a raffle!

**Grade 7&8:** ~Bring in  
your cards for a yummy  
treat! We need every sin-  
gle soldier's Tehillim to  
help our fellow Yidden in  
Eretz Hakodesh and win  
this Golus war! ~Reminder  
to bring in your' YOU'RE  
HIRED' Booklets to school  
on Monday!!



## M'chayil El Chayil

### Tip of the Week Involving a Peer

A peer partner can be a productive way for students to keep one another motivated and on task. School can be difficult at times and it's not uncommon that some girls may feel lonely and on their own. A peer partner who shares similar academic goals and commitment levels can help turn school into a shared, motivating experience. The partners can hold one other accountable to due dates and progress on projects, and check in on study strategies and ways to get unstuck when they're confused. Propose the idea to your daughter(s) as a way to remove you from the equation. You can explain to them that it's like having a chavrusa for General Studies. It's not for everyone and a certain level of maturity is needed for it to be successful, but with the right partner, this collaboration can be empowering, mutually beneficial, foster independence, and instill confidence.

Wishing all of our BCM families a gut Shabbos!

Hatzlacha Raba!

Thank you,  
Mrs. Gabay

**I'd like to wish the BCM family a Gut Shabbos!**

Rabbi Vidal