



# SCHOOL SHMOOZE

לקראת שבת פרשת נח ה'תשפ"ד

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Dear parents of the BCM family,  
I'd like to wish a hearty Mazel Tov the Rabbi and Mrs. Lavner on the occasion of their daughter's wedding this past week! May the Chosson and Kallah build a בנין עדי עד and merit all the Rebbe's Brochos!  
Another hearty Mazel Tov to Rabbi and Mrs. Shur on the birth of a grandson! יזכו להכניסו בבריתו של אברהם אבינו ויגדלוהו לתורה לחופה ולמעשים טובים!

## Remembering Atara ע"ה:

A beautiful bulleting board was hung this week in BCM as we are about to launch a major Neshek campaign which will conquer the GTA with Atara's light! Armed with Neshek, the Talmidos will distribute Shabbos candles and educate as many people as they can reach to perform this beautiful Mitzvah and thereby spreading Atara's light throughout the city and bringing Moshiach closer. I'd like to thank Miss Goldwasser and the mothers who are involved in making these projects a reality



As ארץ our hearts and minds are constantly consumed with ישראל and our brothers and sisters living there. As we are about to go into Shabbos, a day when we are BH disconnected from our phones and the news and are connected only to Hashem, I'd like to suggest that as parents, we pay attention to our conversations and our actions. Let's talk about positive things and remember that what we say matters and has an influence on our children. אין עמרם the Rebbe has clearly guided us how to react during these time. CHILDREN! YOU ARE THE MOST POWERFUL PEOPLE!!! Countless times the Rebbe quoted the Posuk in Tehillim; מפי עוללים ויונקים יסדת עוז להשבית אויב ומתנקם. As such, before Shabbos, please 1) add in Tzedaka before you light Shabbos candles. 2) Daven for our brothers and sisters in Eretz Yisroel after lighting your candle. On Shabbos: 1) Say a lot of Tehillim 2) add in Torah 3) sing עצה ותפר.

The first two פרשיות in תורה share an essential connection, as both pertain to the creation and existence of the world. בראשית, read last week, describes the actual creation, while in נח, this week's Parsha, ה' promises that He will sustain the world and never bring another מבול.

Symbolically, these two פרשיות represent two different levels of the perfection of creation.

בראשית represents the world's perfection as it is created by ה' without man's input or interaction. נח represents a level of perfection that can only be attained by man's efforts, i.e., the עבודת התשובה. From the perspective of the first level, there is no possibility for disobeying ה' will. Were man to disobey ה' he would automatically lose his right to exist. This is indeed what occurred at the end of last week's Parsha when ה' saw that the evil of man was great... and ה' said, 'I will destroy the man whom I have created.'

This week, however, we see that man has been given the power to refine himself, and to reach an even higher level of perfection than before his sin. This ability is alluded to by the rainbow, symbolic of ה' covenant with נח and ה' great joy when His children bring the world to even higher levels of perfection through their own actions. This concept is also reflected in the Names of ה' that are used to describe the act of creation and in regard to נח. According to the תורה, the world was created by ה' using the Name "אלקים"; likewise, "אלקים" is used an additional 32 times in reference to creation. The Name used in reference to נח however, is the ineffable name of ה' that cannot be pronounced.

אלקים has the same גמטריא of the word הטבע which represents a level of קדושה that is limited, whereas ה' ineffable name represents a level above all limitations. We learn from this that the world, as it was created and without man's contribution, has the potential for only a limited revelation of ה' it is solely through the service of man that the higher, infinite and unlimited revelation of ה' is achieved. This idea is further expressed by the months in which these פרשיות are read.

ימים טובים is read in the month of תשרי the month of תשרי; moreover, at least some of the days corresponding to the week in which בראשית is read are themselves ימים טובים.

Noach however, is read in the month of מרחשון, all of whose weekdays are ordinary days. For as symbolized by נח, man's essential task in this world is to elevate even the most mundane aspects of life and reveal the unlimited potential for ה' contained therein.

## Grade 1



our first graders at work! Thank you

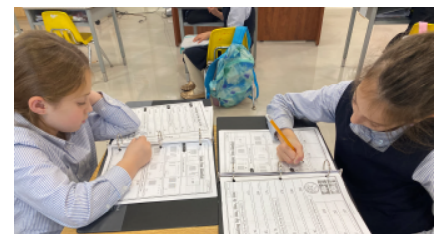
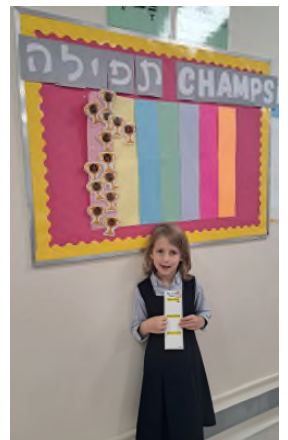


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Mrs. Landa

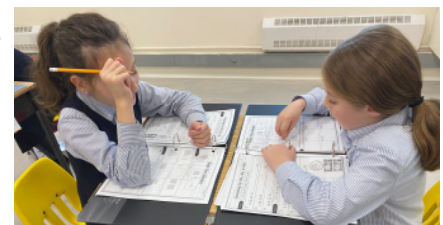
## Grade 2

Kita

Beis got busy this week as we packed our bags and headed down to Mitzrayim. Will the Mitzriyim find Sarai? What will happen if they open up Avraham's suitcase?! Chumash class really came alive! We are sharpening our Kesiva skills as we practiced for our first quiz! We introduced a new subject this week, as we learnt the rules of נקבה in Ivris class. It was so much fun to play a game of "Simon Says" in Ivris! Mazal Tov Devorah Leah Gurewitz on your upcoming birthday, and much Hatzlacha in your Shlichus! Mazal Tov to the girls who passed the first Tefillah Champ level this week! Much Nachas, have a wonderful Shabbos! Thank you Miss Landa



We had a great week. We learned the ui and ue sound. We enjoyed trying to figure out which words needed which letter combinations. In math we learned about hundreds in our place value unit. Good Shabbos, Thank you Mrs. Perl



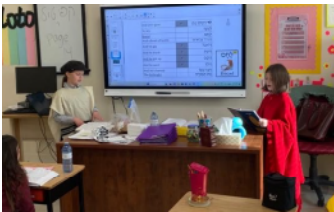


## Grade 3

We were excited to present our parents, at Curriculum Night, with a beautiful letter, written entirely in Hebrew! Using our yellow index cards, we came up with great ideas and were able to correctly identify the proper conjugated word for each sentence. What a great accomplishment! Another fantastic achievement is that we completed our first very eventful perek in chumash, and the great strides we made are truly admirable! Congratulations to the girls who received the Chodesh Tishrei Davening Awards! Have a nice Shabbos, Thank you Mrs. Rabiski

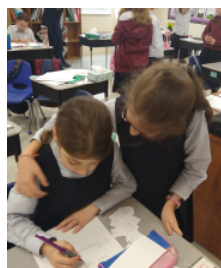


Mazal tov, Kita Gimmel finished the perek this week! We did a lot of Chazara making sure we were well prepared for our first Chumash test! The girls enjoyed Chavrusa work, 'popcorn' reviewing, costumes and fun flashcard games to review the perek. In Ivris we learnt how to conjugate a yellow shoresh for זכר, רבים, ויחיד and נקבה, using our whiteboards and matching up the pictures to its conjugation. We got to really see how amusing the הפלגה looked as we demonstrated information being passed from person to person in a way we couldn't really understand. Mazel tov to Faige Alter and Leah Overlander who have passed the first level in their 'Tfilloto' chart and moved on to Pink, keep up the beautiful Chayus and Kavana in Davening! Thank you Miss Goldberg



## Grade 4

What a busy week... We reviewed for our 1st Chumash test with activities and games, we then took the test. We learned about the Alter Rebbe and represented the information beautifully in our scrapbooks. We finished off the week with our first Navi play on the first 2 perakim, including the story of how Pinchas and Kalev were sent as spies to Yericho and how Rachav helped them escape. Dramatic!! Mina will be heading back to her shlichus in S. Barts, and we hope to stay in touch throughout the year! Thank you Mrs. Zaltzman

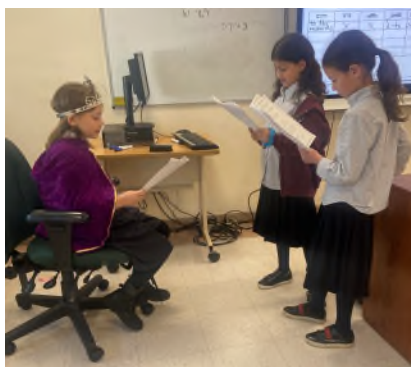
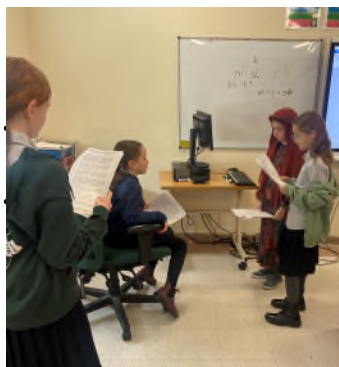




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This week grade 4 began the habitats unit. We watched an introductory video that have us a good starting point for discussion about different habitats. The math addition facts game was fun - let's see if we can beat our time next week :) Our cursive handwriting is coming along nicely too! We'll miss you Mina, is been so much fun with you in our class. Mazel tov to our (surprise!) Star of the week Keny Deren!!! Thank you Mrs. Doron

## Grade 5



Shifra and Puah taught us the key to standing up strong against our enemies. When we fear only Hashem, we are always protected! As well we learnt the great מצוות of taking care and protecting Yiddishe children. We began our מצולט מלאכות scrapbook, and the girls creativity and artistic talents are already shining through! Have a good Shabbos! Thank you Mrs. Zaiontz

## Tzivos Hashem



What an amazing week we had! Starting with so many girls bringing back in their Shabbos Mevorchim Tehillim papers! **As a school we said 3,060 Kapitelach!** Every girl was rewarded with a nestea! Mazel tov to Blumie Gorman who won the raffle for the Tehillim door Hangers! Mazel tov to all of our Birthday girls from the Elul-Cheshvan, the received a little treat! Good job to our winners of the weekly Tzivos Hashem raffles, for girls that filled out 5/7 days of missions! Thank you Miss Gorman and Miss Sosover



## 7th and 8th Grade

We started off the week with a program introducing the new theme of the month for our 'You're hired' program! This month the job is a musician in a band and we are focusing on Ahavas Yisrael! Each person is needed for the band! Look out for the weekly Ahavas Yisrael missions! Good job for everyone who brought in their monthly checklists filled out! They will be receiving fries next week! Keep up the great work! Good job to the 32 girls who brought back in their Tehillim papers, and were rewarded with a donut! Mazel tov to Bassie Lakher for winning the sips gift card!



## M'chayil El Chayil

### Tip of the Week

### Turn Setbacks into Stepping Stones

Setbacks are part of the learning process. Reminding your daughter that one small setback shouldn't disrupt her whole day, week, or school term is an important life lesson. It's one data point. Challenges are simply opportunities in disguise. A bad grade or a missing assignment doesn't define their next step. The adults and role models in our talmidos' lives need to emphasize and model resiliency. Now, more than ever, we as parents/educators have the ability to do this.

One of the most important skills we can teach our girls is the ability to bounce back after a stumble. So, rather than dwelling on a tough day, take a moment with your daughter to reflect on what happened and then use it as an opportunity to grow. Your daughter's journey to academic success is marked by her ability to understand the setback and then make their next step a stepping stone back onto the path to success.

Hatzlacha!

Thank you,  
Mrs. Gabay

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

Rabbi Vidal

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