



SCHOOL SHMOOZE

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Dear parents of the BCM family,

I'd like to publicly express my gratitude to the **Toronto Police 32 Division** for sending Police officers in cruisers multiple times throughout the school day to check in on us and make sure we are safe.

Launched! This year we introduced a **new Math Curriculum** which aligns with the Ontario Curriculum and after meeting with the teachers, we already see much success! The Curriculum was improved and every teacher has access to educational videos as well as special games and hands-on activities that enhance the lesson and makes the learning of key concepts and skills, accessible to all learning styles. See the last page of the newsletter for more details! Thank you Mrs. Gabay and Mrs. Vidal for all the hard work you invested in this project

We are approaching the month of Kislev which is filled with **חסידישע ימים טובים**! Plans are in full swing to make this month and all the special days in it a very memorable and inspiring one for our Talmidos! We are looking for sponsors! This year, we will have a Fleishig Seuda on ראש חודש כסלו and lots of special activities throughout the month. If you can donate any amount toward the Seuda or other projects, it is greatly appreciated! The more donations we get, the less participation we need from the parents. Please email rabbividal@bcmschool.ca if you are able to donate toward this cause!

Some parents requested to sign up for **pizza lunches** once for the rest of the year. We will be sending out a Google form which you will need to fill out and send an e-transfer to grads@bcmschool.ca. Please note: **Orders will only be confirmed once we receive payment.**

On Thursday was the Shloshim of our Talmida עטרה ליבא ע"ה בת יבלחט"א ר' שמעון אפרים הכהן. I'd like to thank **Mrs. Shusterman** and **Mrs. Mushky Zaltzman** who worked tirelessly to put together a very special **Ahavas Yis-**

Although our חכמים tell us that אברהם אבינו had already "recognized his Creator" by the age of three, no mention of 'אברהם's early life is actually made in the תורה (aside from an account of his lineage). In fact, this entire time period, during which אברהם devoted himself to spreading the belief in One G-d among mankind, to the point of being thrown into a fiery furnace for his convictions, is omitted. The תורה begins its narration of אברהם's extraordinary life in this week's Parsha, לך לך, with the words, "And ה' said to אברהם: Go out of your land, out of your birthplace and from your father's house" - a commandment אברהם received when he was already 75 years old!

Every word and letter in the תורה is exact, revealing countless lessons for us to apply in our daily lives. The תורה's omission of אברהם's early years is therefore significant, and contains a valuable teaching about the essence of the Jew.

Up until the age of 75, אברהם was like any other person. Blessed with a gifted mind, he was able to reach the intellectual understanding that ה' existed. Yet it was only at the age of 75 that אברהם's life as a Jew, and as the father of the אידן, truly began.

For no matter how strong a person's belief in ה' may be, when one's connection to Him is predicated on human understanding, it is necessarily limited. Even אברהם's willingness to sacrifice his life was rooted in intellectual conviction.

ה's command to אברהם to leave the country of his birth began a whole new chapter in his and the אידן's relationship with ה', one which transcends human understanding.

A איד's connection to ה' is eternal, based not on our limited intellectual faculties but on the fact that the נשמה חלק "is אלקה ממעל ממש. Our connection to ה' is so deep and profound that it cannot be attained simply by our own efforts. Only ה' Himself could have created a bond of this magnitude by choosing us to serve Him.

When ה' told אברהם "Go out of your land, out of your birthplace and from your father's house," He was commanding him to embark on a whole new level of עבודת ה'.

roel Curriculum geared to students of all ages. In addition to an engaging lesson plan, there were lots of creative activities that were included to make the lesson come alive to the students. As well, there were Hachlata cards so the students can take Hachlatos and increase in their Ahavas Yisroel. Thank you to the **7th grade Talmidos** who packed all the kits so they can be ready for teachers in other schools as well. Thank you to **Mrs. Emmer** who delivered the packages to all the local schools. **Thousands of Talmidim/os** took part of this in honor of Atara ע"ה. Participating schools that we know of were Bais Chaya Mushka, Cheder Chabad, Eitz Chaim boys and Girls, Netivot Ohr Haemet, Toronto Cheder and Yeshivas Yesodei Hatorah. Other out town schools took part of it as well.



As well, our **8th graders** led by **Mrs. Wechter**, distributed the Tehillim between the staff and students of BCM. At 10:00AM everyone was reciting Tehillim. The Tehillim was completed 6 times in honor of Atara ע"ה.



Neshek project was launched and details will be forthcoming IYH. **Thank you to all the mothers** who are helping make this project a reality.

If you'd like to contribute to the Neshek project of the special Library corner that will be dedicated in Atara's memory, please use the Google form that was sent on the mothers' chat.

Thank you to all the mothers who are helping make this project a reality. We Daven that Hashem should put an end to this golus and that we can be reunited with all our loved ones, **NOW!**



Grade 1

Thank you for an amazing week!

Have a good Shabbos! Thank you Mrs. Landa



Grade 2

We finished our first Perek in Chumash and had our first Chumash quiz! We began our Hashkomas Haboker booklet in Yahadus. After speaking about Rochel Imeinu's Mesiras Nefesh and Avrohom Avinu's Mesiras Nefesh, we realize that there are many ways we can have Mesiras Nefesh in our lives today, too! We said extra Tehillim and filled out a Hachlota card about Achdus and Ahavas Yisroel L'ilui Nishmas Atara Cohen. We are sure that we are bringing the Geula faster!!! Good Shabbos. Thank you Mrs. Rosenfeld

Mazal Tov! We have completed our first perek in Chumash! We got to display our mastery of skills and knowledge by preparing beautiful Chumash projects. This week we got to feel a little bit like Avram Avinu as we marched around the classroom not sure where we were going, but we know that Avram had Kabolas Ol and didn't ask any questions! Mazal Tov to the girls who passed the Tefillah champ level this week! Have a great Shabbos! Thank you Miss Landa



Grade 3

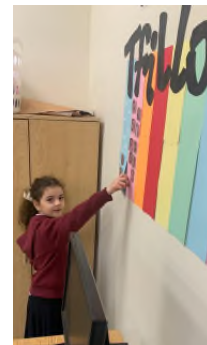
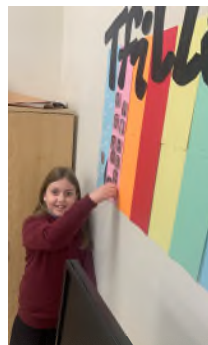
We began a new perek in chumash, and so many details correspond to this week's Parsha! Our ability to say and write sentences in Hebrew is already expanding, and we're only at the beginning... We can't wait to see how far we'll go! Have a good Shabbos, Thank you Mrs. Rabiski

This week we began learning a new Perek in Chumash! What Hashgacha Protis that we began Perek Chof Vov - Yitzchak planning to go to Mitzrayim because of the hunger, following what Avraham did, in this weeks Parsha! We cant wait to learn a Rashi on Monday, the girls worked together to review what type of questions Rashi will explain to us with a fun game. The girls have been putting together full sentences in Ivris on their own, full of things we see in our classroom! Why are we packing up to leave in middle of the day? We learn an amazing lesson from Avraham Avinu of the Kabalos Ol he had to the command of Lech Lecha.

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On Yud Aleph Cheshvan we discussed the power of our Ahavas Yisroel, how much we can learn from Rochel Imeinu, see our beautifully decorated Kever Rochel! Mazel tov to Shana Chanowitz, Mushka Martin, Elisheva Doron and Mussia Zaltzman who have passed the first level in their 'Tfilloto' chart and moved on to Pink, keep up the beautiful Chayus and Kavana in Davening! Have a good Shabbos! Thank you Miss Gold-berg



Grade 4

We had a wonderful week in Kita Daled filled with learning and fun! The girls really enjoyed dressing up in different costumes to act out the lessons we have been learning in Navi. Have a nice Shabbos! Thank you Mrs. Zaltzman



Grade 4 math games are so much fun! We finished a round of addition facts in 1 1/2 minutes!! Well done girls!! We're going to practice "subtraction scoot" till we master it speedily too :) Mazel tov to Star of the week Tzipi Cujic! Good Shabbos, Thank you Mrs. Doron



Junior High Grades

Our first Chumash test of the year- well done girls!.. praising Hashem for His greatness in Az Yashir.. Kitzur and learning importance of getting up quickly, ready to serve Hashem with joy..what lessons can we learn from certain animals in our avodas Hashem...and working hard on figuring out the Parsha with a chavrusa has really kept us busy. We are excited to start a Hachlata of the month..with zayin Cheshvan just behind us, this month we will try to increase in small daily acts of ahavas Yisroel! Thank you to Miri Cohen, Leeba Deren, Sheina Doron, Rivka Haddasa Liman, for the beautiful Cheshvan bulletin board! Keep up the wonderful work girls! Gut shabbos! Thank you Mrs. Karpilovsky



The 8th grade enjoyed a Chumash Siyum for Parshas Behaaloscha. We took time to review the topics and Horaos we learned throughout the Parsha, and of course to enjoy some well deserved nosh:) The 8th grade girls came up with 2 beautiful ideas in the Zchus of dear Atara A"H. Leah Gryn came up with the idea of completing the Tehillim many times as a school. At 10 am, students and staff members said Tehillim, and it was completed 6 times! Thank you Mooka Eizicovitz and Peri Steinmetz for your help coordinating this. May this Tehillim be a Zchus for Atara's Neshama and bring the ultimate comfort of Moshiach Now! Another initiative by the 8th grade girls in honor of Atara A"H, are bracelets for all students with the words, "Smile for Atara," reminding us to be happy; learning from Atara's shining example. Thank you Mushka Hildeshaim and Feiga Wilhelm for coordinating this. Thank you Miss Gorman for all of your help with designing the bracelets and thank you to BCM for covering the costs. The bracelets should be arriving shortly. May we hear Besuros Tovos, and the ultimate Besura Tova of Moshiach Now! Thank you Mrs. Aydla Vechter



Tzivos Hashem

Mazel tov to all the girls who went up in rank in Tzivos Hashem!!!



Happy Birthday to all our birthday girls from Elul to Cheshvan!! All our birthday girls received a treat!



Wishing much hatzlacha to all our girls who are studying for chidon! Amazing Job to our 8th grade Kol Hatorah Kulah girls who took the first test this week! Thank you Miss Gorman and Miss Sosover

M'chayil El Chayil

Exciting Update: Introducing Our New Math Curriculum!

We are thrilled to share some exciting news about our new math curriculum, which has been met with enthusiastic praise from both teachers and students alike!

Our revamped curriculum is not just about numbers; it's about creating an engaging and stimulating learning experience. Teachers have reported that the new approach has injected fresh energy into their classrooms, making math more enjoyable for students.

What makes this curriculum truly stand out is its comprehensive alignment with the latest Ontario curriculum standards. We've meticulously crafted our lessons to ensure that they cover all the necessary content while keeping it relevant and engaging for our students.

One of the highlights of our new curriculum is the inclusion of educational videos. These videos serve as invaluable resources, providing clear explanations of key math concepts. They cater to different learning styles, making complex topics more accessible to students.

To further enhance the learning experience, we've incorporated a variety of math games and activities. These aren't just your average exercises—they're designed to target all types of learners. From interactive games to hands-on activities, our curriculum ensures that every student can find a method that resonates with their unique way of understanding mathematical concepts.

The positive feedback we've received reaffirms our belief that learning should be exciting and enjoyable. We look forward to witnessing the continued success and growth of our students as they explore the world of mathematics through this innovative and comprehensive curriculum.

Thank you for your ongoing support in making Bais Chaya Mushka a place where learning truly comes to life!

Hatzlacha!
Thank you,
Mrs. Gabay



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

Rabbi Vidal