



SCHOOL SHMOOZE

לקראת שבת פ' ויצא ה'תשפ"ד

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Dear parents of the BCM family,

I'd like to wish a hearty Mazel Tov to Rabbi and Mrs. Kamman and the entire family on the birth of a baby boy! יזכו להכניסו בבריתו של אברהם אבינו ויגדלוהו לתורה לחופה ולמעשים טובים מתוך הרחבה!

in BCM: י' כסלו

This week was another busy Kislev week in BCM! The highlight of the week was the Big & Little Sister activity on Wednesday in honour of יום הולדת & חג הגאולה, ט' & י' כסלו! מיטעלער רבי! What a beautiful event! Talmidos from grades 6-8 went to the younger grades to pickup their Little Sisters and then made their way to the lunchroom to begin the learning and the special bracelet making activity. All Talmidos enjoyed delicious donuts. This event was partially sponsored by an anonymous sponsor who לעילוי נשמת ר' פנחס בן אברהם ע"ה זוכה to be Mechanech many kinderlach and whose Yartzeit was on י' כסלו. For some beautiful photos of the event, see the upcoming pages.

י"ט כסלו Hachana for

Our Hachana for י"ט כסלו was officially launched! Grades 1-5 are watching daily videos, made by our very talented Bnos Chabad Shluchos featuring our own Talmidos who are telling the story of י"ט כסלו! Every day, the Talmidos answer a question on the video they watched and will be able to get into a raffle at the end of the Mivtza. Grades 6-8, are learning and memorizing Pismim of every Rebbe in preparation for this special day. We will share the first 2 videos with you in the online version of the newsletter. You can shep Nachas and use them to teach your kids the story of Yud Tes Kislev. Thank you to Miss Gorman and Miss Sosover for your tireless efforts and dedication toward all Bnos Chabad activities

Motzoei Shabbos Bake Night (grades 2&3):

This Motzoei Shabbos there will be a special Bake Night for grades 2 & 3 at the Chabad Russian Center of Thornhill Woods from 7:00-8:15. You can still pay via etransfer to

In this week's Parsha, we read how יעקב left the home of his righteous father יצחק, left his studies in the ישיבה of שם and עבר and went to the home of the evil לכן in חרן. There he began a new chapter in his life, working as a shepherd day and night. Until then יעקב had concentrated on serving ה', devoting himself solely to the study of תורה. In חרן, however, יעקב's focal point shifted, and he now found himself involved in more mundane tasks.

Surprisingly, it was precisely in חרן that יעקב achieved his highest level of success, as we are told, "And the man increased exceedingly." יעקב became very wealthy, both literally and figuratively. Moreover, it was there that יעקב married and established the שבטים, the foundation upon which the entire אידישע nation would later be built.

But how is it possible that יעקב experienced his greatest success in a place as lowly as חרן? Why was it necessary for the אידן to establish its beginnings in such a sordid environment? חרן is related to the Hebrew word for anger or wrath - חרון אף של עולם-

A similar question can be asked about ה' desire for a דירה in the physical world דוקא. Of all the higher worlds, ה' chose our lowly material world as the place where He wanted to dwell, to establish a permanent "residence."

The מצוות are practical commandments that we perform with simple, physical objects. תפילין are made from the hide of an animal; ציצית are made from wool; a סכה from planks of wood; candles for שבת and יום טוב from wax. ה' wants us to build for Him a דירה בתחתונים by using material objects in the performance of מצוות. The life-long service of the איד consists of utilizing whatever he comes in contact with to establish a permanent "residence" for ה' in the lower realms.

This desire for a דירה בתחתונים will be realized completely when משיח comes and ushers in the גאולה שלימה. At that time the purpose of creation will be fulfilled, "for the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the ה', as the waters cover the sea."

grads@bcmschool.ca or pay in cash at the door. See flyer in the upcoming pages for more info.

Parent Teacher Conferences will take place next **Wednesday** י"ט כ"ט/November 29 in BCM. You should have received an email to book your appointments. If you are unable to make it, please email Miss Goldwasser, secretary@bcmschool.ca so you can be placed on the teachers' call lists.

PD Day will be on **Thursday** י"ז כ"ט/November 30. There is no school for students on this day.

Class Melaveh Malkas for י"ז כ"ט:

This year, י"ז כ"ט falls out on Motzoei Shabbos. We sent an email to ask for families who would host Melaveh Malkas for each class. We are so overwhelmed and touched by the amount of parents who offered to host their daughter's class. We will publish exact locations and times next week IYH.

Parent Participation for Rosh Chodesh Kislev:

Thanks to our sponsors, the parent participation was only \$5. Thank you to all the parents who already paid. If you have not paid yet, please send \$5 in cash with your daughters next week. Thank you!

Chai Lifeline Toy Drive:

Chai Lifeline has launched their annual toy drive. If you can donate toys, they will go to great use. We have a donation box at the entrance of BCM.

Warm Hug Project:

If you have anything warm that you'd like to donate to displaced families in Eretz Yisroel, please see flyer in the upcoming pages. We will have a drop off in BCM as well.

School photos:

By now, you should have received your daughter's proofs from picture day at school. Please pay attention to the order due date to avoid late fees.

B"H

A Motsei Shabbos BAKE NIGHT!

FOR GRADES 2 & 3

DATE: Nov 25/ Yud Beis
Kislev

TIME: 7:00 - 8:15

At: 8808 Bathurst ST.
Chabad Russian Center Thorhill Woods

Pre Pay : \$7

€-transfer to:

grads@bcmschool.ca

At The Door: \$10

THE WARM HUG PROJECT

TORONTO COMMUNITY CLOTHING DRIVE TO
BENEFIT DISPLACED FAMILIES IN ERETZ YISROEL
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16 thru WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6 (@ 4 pm)



As winter approaches, evacuated families in Eretz Yisroel urgently need warm clothing and basics!!

TOGETHER WE CAN UNITE KLAL YISROEL!!

לע"נ גולדה פייגא בת יהושע לייב

PLEASE PLACE ITEMS IN BINS AT THE
LOCATION OF YOUR CHOICE

Send your
purchased
items to
school with
your child

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Ave.
M6A 1M8

47 Glen Park
Ave.
M6B 2C1

65 Clanton
Park Rd.
M3H 2C9

175 N
Meadow
Cres.
L4J 3C4

5 Stormont
Ave.
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SPECIFICALLY COLLECTING

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Warm Pajamas

2

Hats, Gloves, Scarves, Warm Socks

3

Winter Coats

4

Warm Sweatshirts, Jackets and Shirts



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auspices of Olam Chesed/ World of Giving.

Tizku L'Mitzvos!

warmhugprojecttoronto@gmail.com

Grade 2

We added Ashrei to our davening this week. Grade 2A finished perek yud gimmel in Chumash. We will be learning 2 pesukim a day in our next perek! We watched a video about yud kislev- the Miteler Rebbe's chag hageula. Thank you, Mrs. Rosenfeld

This week was packed with so much learning! Kita Beis is mastering skills as we get closer to completing our second Perek in Chumash! We tried counting sand, but there were way too many small pieces - Hashem promised the Yidden will also be so many! This week we learnt that Hashem promised Avraham and his children the land of Eretz Yisroel, forever!! Yud Tes Kislev is in the air, and we prepare - Hachana videos, story tapes and coloring books are some of what's been going on in preparation for this special day. Mazal Tov to Shayna Chaya, Goldie, Chaya, Nessia, Itta and Esther on passing level yellow of the Tefillah Champs! Thank you, Miss Landa



We enjoyed reading the story "Toy Store" in our reader. We discussed the different toys the characters in the story wanted but didn't get because they already had so many fun toys at home. It was a great lesson they all learned. We learned the sound that the "wh" letters make and about questions needing a question mark. In math we are working on addition and subtraction facts 0-12. Thank you, Mrs. Perl

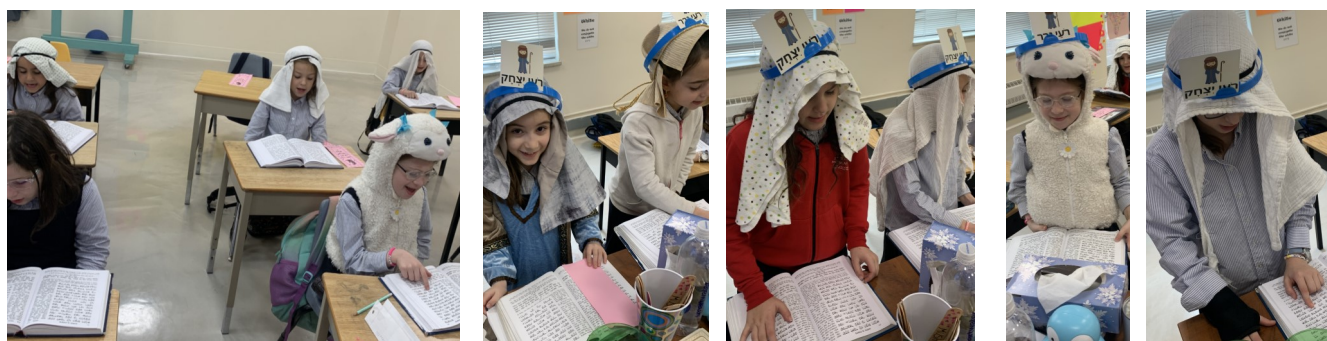


Grade 3

We're preparing for our second Chumash test, and it's incredible to see the amazing growth that has taken place! We're utilizing lots of creative ways to brush up on our important skills! Kislev has arrived with all the busy Chassidishe excitement that it includes! The big and little sister was so much fun! Thank you to Mimi and Simi for sharing a beautiful and meaningful - and most importantly, applicable - message about the Mittlerer Rebbe in honor of 9-10 Kislev. Thank you, Mrs. Rabiski



As we conclude our second Perek in Chumash we zoomed in on the amazing response of Yitzchak and his shepherds to the shepherds of גרר. The girls had beautiful ideas on ways we can choose to react like Yitzchak Avinu! We welcomed our Shepherds into our classroom this week with some adorable enactments! Chanukah is already in the air as Kita Gimmel masters some core Chanukah terms - all in Ivris. Thank you to our Mimi and Simi for teaching us what we can do when being nice isn't the 'in' thing. Mazel tov Elisheva, Leah and Shana for passing the pink Tfilloto level! Thank you, Miss Goldberg



Grade 4

We started a new perek in chumash with fresh eyes and chayus. Dramatic music as Yosef (Hatzaddik!) faces a most difficult nisayon... and passed the test! How does that connect to the impact of seeing pictures and videos of the Rebbe? We were thrilled to get back to Navi after a short break- and we dove right into it- finding out about the Yarden splitting! Parsha is always fascinating, and exploring how we can be like Yakov in Charan- acting on our purpose wherever we may find ourselves- was meaningful (and story-filled!). We really enjoyed the special program in honor of 9-10 Kislev. Have a good Shabbos! Thank you, Mrs. Zaltzman

Grade 4 are getting ready for the habitats project. I can't wait to see them finished! We have our first spelling test coming up, and we're about to get into multiplication. Don't forget to practice for the math challenge! It's compulsory, but so helpful! Mazel tov to star of the week, Chaya Mushka Bakshi! Thank you, Mrs, Doron

Grade 6

This week has taken us through the story of the ,מן, and the incredibly high level of emunah that was expected from B'nai Yisroel. In Navi we learned how Shmuel managed not to be influenced by what was going on around him. And continuing with our special bas mitzvah book we discussed the specialty of number 12, and started going through the Rebbe's special letter to bas mitzvah girls...as the Rebbe writes, we hope to grow into true bnos Chabad, making the Rebbe and our parents proud! Thank you, Mrs. Karpilovsky

Tzivos Hashem

There is so much going on this week!! Mazel tov to all our birthday girls for the month of Kislev! (Continued)



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

Amazing job to all our 7th and 8th grade who passed their You're Hired for the month of Cheshvan. Every girl who passed was rewarded with a sips expresso "This treat is to expresso to you- you did it! Well done for having a latte of ahavas yisroel" Yud Tes kislev Ha-chana is underway!! Getting ready and prepare for the special day!!

We had our first Big and little sister program this week for tes Kislev!!! Thank you, Miss Gorman and Miss Sosover



M'chayil El Chayil

Tip of the Week

Children are Busy!

Children today are busy! Figuring out how to fit everything in to their busy schedules is a real challenge for today's students. Creating an after-school schedule can minimize stress, boost productivity, and help ensure that academic responsibilities are met without sacrificing personal time and extracurricular activities.

Every Sunday, start with a weekly calendar and map out extracurricular activities, appointments, and any other responsibilities your daughter has. Once the fixed pieces are in place, add homework blocks into the schedule, keeping in mind what works best for your daughter in terms of maximizing her productivity – times and locations of where the work will get work done, are just a few examples. Then, as time permits, add in personal and self-care time. Of course, some flexibility may be required as things inevitably change, but that's just allows for more practice with executive functioning skills!

Hatzlacha Raba!

Thank you,
Mrs. Gabay

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

Rabbi Vidal



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empty cartons

I need 48 for a craft by end of December

If you use these and can rinse & save them for me, please DM!

I can pick them up from you btwn Lawrence down south & Centre Street in Thornhill. Thank you! Nechama 647.782.3680 or Sara 289.200.7169