



YESHIVA
SHAAREI TZION

Sept 9, 2017

WELCOME BACK
TO YST!

FYI

- Back to School Night in the and in the Boys' Division on Sun, Sept 10. at 7:30 p.m. and in the Girls' Division on Thurs., Sept 14. Please see schedule for the girls division on the next page.
- Homework Club in the Boys' & Girls' Division will begin on Mon., Sept 11. The cost (per week) is \$20 for 2x a week, \$25 for 3x a week and \$30 for 4x a week. If you wish to sign up your child, please call the respective school offices.
- Are you celebrating an upcoming Bar or Bas Mitzvah? In order to ensure that there will be no overlapping of simcha dates, kindly call the school office and register the date of your affair.
- Box Tops for Education: With school back in swing, our collection of Box Tops resumes. Hopefully you have bagsful of them waiting at home from your summer collection - please clip them and send them in to school.
- Smile.Amazon.com - Another way to help raise money for our school is by designating YST through Amazon. We receive a percentage of all purchases. Just type in smile.amazon.com and sign us up!
- Stop & Shop A+ School Rewards is a great way to donate money to YST. It's easy. Just register your Stop N Shop card to the school ID 07594
- My Coke Rewards - Please collect and send in your Coke Rewards bottle caps. We have redeemed them in the past and received quality gym equipment.

Welcome!

YST wishes a warm welcome to all our new staff members:

Mrs. Malka Mendlowitz - Boys Secular Principal
 Mrs. Leah Epshteyn - G7 & G8 Language Arts
 Mrs. Ruti Epstein - G4 Math, G6 & G7 Science
 Rabbi Shmuel Klugman - B1 Hebrew
 Mrs Mindy Kramer - Girls Resource
 Mrs. Chava Landau - G1 Secular Aide
 Mrs. Penina Miller - G2 Secular Aide
 Mrs. Nechama Perr - G5 & G6 Math
 Miss Rivka Baila Rubinfeld - G5 Hebrew
 Mrs. Robin Silver - P1B Aide
 Mrs. Sarah Sklar - G1 Hebrew Aide



Parsha Points

"... with happiness and a glad heart when you had an abundance of everything."

"...ושמחת בטוב לבב מרב כל..."

Meirot Kol, "when you had an abundance of everything" refers not only to a richness of material goods, but rather to a bountifulness of spiritual wealth. It brings to mind the words of Ben Zoma (Brachos 58a) who marveled, "Consider how hard Adam HaRishon had to work to obtain a piece of bread. He had to plow, sow, harvest, make sheaves, thresh, winnow, sift, grind, knead, bake and only then could eat bread. Yet I get up in the morning and I find all this prepared for me on my table. In the same way, we must reflect on Hashem's grace in granting us spiritual advancement. We must pause to think about the immense intellectual exertion Avraham Avinu had to expend until he reached the recognition of the existence and oneness of Hashem, of the divine providence and of the immortality of the soul. The Avos and our forefathers in Egypt further developed the understanding of these fundamental ideas until they were worthy to receive the Torah and the 613 mitzvos. It is through these spiritual lights that we can attain a unification with the absolute divine truth. Our ancestors labored hard to reach these values and truths, yet we find all these abundant spiritual treasures readily placed before us. How grateful and joyous we should be for all the good Hashem has granted us.

In essence, that is the meaning of *besimchah uvetuv leivav meirot kol*, "the happiness and glad heart for the abundance of spiritual richness." *Meshech Chachmah Taken from Torah Treasures.*

Week in Review

How refreshing it was to once again see the shining faces of our תלמידים and their renewed eagerness to learn is very encouraging. How pleasant is the קול התורה and the sweet tunes of תפילה once again resounding throughout the building. The assemblies we had the first day emphasized our hopes that this year be one of growth in תורה, in תפילה, and מדות טובות. A new school year is intrinsically a moment of pause; Somewhere between the shopping for school supplies, getting the kids heads checked for nits, trying to pinpoint a workable bus stop amidst the seemingly senseless lists, and realizing that the kids really can't start school with sneakers that are tattered and outgrown, one takes a look at their precious youngster and says "Wow! My child is entering (fill-in-the-blank) grade! Where has the time flown?"

And, indeed, on the first day of school, YST Girls School staff members share that exact sentiment. The incoming first graders look oh-so-grown-up in their fresh uniforms, the middle grades come back with new glasses, new haircuts and a few new inches and our 7th & 8th grade girls are poised and polished in pin-stripes. Best of all is the sense of warmth and caring as teachers pause to catch up with old students and begin the task of building relationships with new ones.

The outpouring of excited responses to Mrs. Brudny's pre-opening queries are setting a most positive tone. 4th grade Naomi Voitovich is happy to be back in school with new cool supplies, Rina Silvey can't wait for her 8th grade sweatshirt, 1st grader missed **everything** about school and 3rd grader Deenie Golubchik predicts that this will be YST's best year ever!

Preschool Jottings

Our first days of school were probably hard for you, Mom and Dad

You may have been excited, but part of you may have been sad

For a few years you've been holding my hand and you have been my loving guide

And now you know the time has come, to let go of your hands and leave your side

But it's only for a little while, so I can learn and grow

And at the end of every day, I'll share with you all I learned and know

So when you take me to Preschool every day, don't worry anymore

I'll wave goodbye and throw a kiss as you walk me through the door!

WELCOME TO YESHIVA SHAAREI TZION
PRESCHOOL

Please take note: Back to School Night for the preschool is Mon, Sept 25th at 7:45 pm.

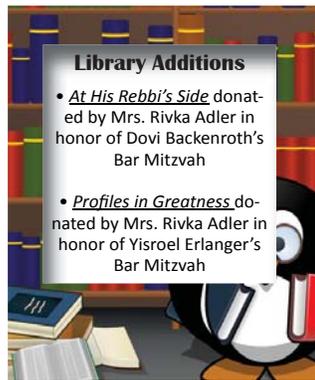
Mazal Tov

The Yeshiva Shaarei Tzion family has had quite a few simchas over the summer that we are thrilled to share:

- Rabbi & Mrs. Aba Brudny upon the birth of a grandson
- Rabbi & Mrs. Yisroel Hoffman upon the birth of a granddaughter
 - Dr. & Mrs. Mendel Goldfinger upon a birth of their son
 - Dr. & Mrs. Ben Gruen upon the birth of a daughter
- Rabbi & Mrs. Dovid Kamin upon the birth of a grandson
- Rabbi & Mrs. Aron Yosef & Morah Chaya Rena Klein upon the birth of a daughter
- Rabbi & Mrs. Yitzchok Lieblich upon the birth of a son and a daughter
 - Rabbi & Mrs. Tzvi Leifer upon the birth of a son
 - Rabbi & Mrs. Yossi Sirote upon the birth of a son
 - Mr. & Mrs. Chaim Yadlovker upon the birth of a son
- Rabbi & Mrs. Shmuel Backnroth upon Dovi's Bar Mitzvah
- Rabbi & Mrs. Aryeh Erlanger upon Yisroel's Bar Mitzvah
 - Mr. & Mrs. Zalman Arnow upon Avrumi's Bar Mitzvah
- Rabbi Michoel & Morah Mindy Abboudi upon Chaya's engagement to Yossi Eliyahu from Long Island
- Morah Yaffa Benjamin upon her engagement to Tzvi Arye Friedman from Los Angeles
 - Mr. Ira & Nurse Cathy Cohen upon Ben's engagement to Jessica Listman from Cherry Hill
 - Mr. & Mrs. Avi Kamelhar upon Avigayil's engagement to Meir Rokowsky from Monsey
 - Mr. & Mrs. Moshe Feuer upon Bracha's marriage to Tzvi Berger
 - Mr. & Mrs. Chaim Krauss upon Peri's marriage to Boruch Lasker
 - Rabbi & Mrs. Leiter upon Tehila's marriage to Yehuda Palgon
 - Rabbi & Mrs. Yisroel Siegel upon Avrohom Eliezer's marriage to Ziona Kaplan
 - Mr. & Mrs. Akiva Mendlowitz upon Yakov Leib's marriage to Hennie Moses
- Mr. & Mrs. Yoni Gross upon Atara's upcoming marriage to Sruly Chaimowitz
- Mr & Mrs. Mark Goldblatt upon Eliana's upcoming marriage to Yossi Cohen
 - Rabbi & Mrs. Yisroel Siegel on the engagement of their daughter.

Congratulations!

To Mrs. Dishy Schiffman upon publishing her first children's book, When I Am A Mommy which was graciously donated to the school library.



Library Additions

- *At His Rabbi's Side* donated by Mrs. Rivka Adler in honor of Dovi Backenroth's Bar Mitzvah
- *Profiles in Greatness* donated by Mrs. Rivka Adler in honor of Yisroel Erlanger's Bar Mitzvah

Bulletin Board

- **Motzai Shabbos, Sept. 9 - 9:00 PM** - Tiferes DVD for women will be show at the home of Aviva Siegel 16 Edgemount Rd. Title: "Elul and Tefillah – The Joy of Connection". Speakers: Rabbi Menachem Nissel and Mrs. Debbie Greenblatt. For more info, please contact Aviva siegelmom@optonline.net. The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.
- **Sun, September 10 - 1:00-5:00 PM** - **Hatzolah of Middlesex County Annual Carnival** to be held at the YST Boys School, 71 Ethel Rd. West, Piscataway. Rides, raffles, petting zoo, prizes, barbecue and much more. Unlimited ride passes are available for purchase and all payment methods accepted. For more info, e-mail carnival@hatzolahmc.org or call 732-993-8645.
- **Mon Sept 11 - 7:15 pm** - **Rivky Eidelman, נ"צ** **Yahrtzeit Lecture** to be held at The Agudah 1131 Raritan Ave. Guest Speaker will be Rabbi Binyomin Pruzansky on the topic of "Elul: We Can Make A Dfference In Our Lives." See attached flyer
- **Motzai Shabbos, Sept, 16 - 8:45pm.** - **Highland Park/Edison Connects** invites the women of our community to our Annual September "Kick-Off the (school) Year" **Potluck Melava Malka**. This year's kick-off Melave Malka will be taking place at 22 Celler Rd, Edison. Whether you have recently moved in and are looking to meet people or whether you have been here a while and want to reconnect with old friends (and make new ones while welcoming everyone who has recently moved into our town!) we encourage you to come and bring a dish! For questions or to RSVP please email Rachele_Stern@yahoo.com. More information to follow! Thank you! Elle Lieblich, Faygie Lobel, Rikki Samel, Rachele Stern.
- **Sun, Sept 17 from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.** **Emanah** is joining Highland Park for their annual township wide garage sale. It will be held at Redlich home, 437 Harrison Ave, Highland Park. Please look through your home and feel free to donate anything and everything to make this event a success. We are looking for all sorts of items including furniture, bicycles, glassware, dishes, picture frames, Judaica, etc... Now is the time to clean out your home of all those unwanted gifts and used items. For drop off information, which will begin after September 13, please call Sue Redlich at 732-558-4917. We welcome volunteers throughout the day. Please call Sue to be assigned a 2 hour time slot. Chessed hours can also be provided to students.
- **Mon Sept 18 - 7:30-9pm** - **2nd Annual RPRY Bake Sale** will be held at 77 Lexington Avenue, Edison. Challah, Babka and all of your yom tov desserts! Come early, leave happy! If you pre-ordered, please pick up at this time and location.

Local News & Shiurim

- The Edison/Highland Park gown Gemach, L'iluy Nishmas R' Yitzchok Ben Binyomin, is open for business! The Gemach houses a wide selection of gowns for children, pre-teen, teens and adults. Please note the Gemach is still looking for donation of gowns in very good condition. Tax deduction is given and pick up of the gowns can also be arranged. For more information and/or to schedule an appointment please call Sara Scott at 516-526-0941.
- Rebitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: Tefillah class on Sunday, September 10 at 10:00 AM at the Aguda shule; No class on Mon, Sept 11.
- Rabbi Yisroel Weiss Parsha class for men and women: Wednesday evenings at 8:30 PM at the Eiserman residence 154 N. 10th Avenue. For more info, please call Marsha at 347-203-7906.

Girls School: Back to School Night Wednesday, Sept 14			5th	6th	7th	8th
7:40 - 8:10	1st, 2nd & 4th grades	7:30 - 7:45	Morah Rubinfeld 7:40 - 8:00	Morah Kleinbard	Morah Frankl	Morah Bakst
		7:45 - 8:00		Mrs. Perr	Mrs. Epstein	Mrs. C. Gross
		8:00 - 8:15	Mrs. Perr	Mrs. Epstein	Mrs. C. Gross	Mrs. Brotsky
8:15 - 8:30	General Parent Meeting					
8:30 - 9:00	Pre1a & 3rd grades	8:30 - 8:45	Mrs. Chait	Mrs. Gross	Mrs. Epshteyn	Mrs. Hammer/Mrs. Brudny
		8:45 - 9:00			Mrs. Hammer	Mrs. Epshteyn

המקום ינחם...

- Morah Sarah Goodman upon the los of her mother, Claire Edelman, נ"צ
- Rabbi Elie Kurtz upon the loss of his mother, Rachel Kurtz, נ"צ