

Calendar

Weekend of Jan. 13 & 14 - **MSG DHR Shabbaton!!**
 Mon., Jan. 16 - MLK Jr. Day - **School Open - NO BUSING**
 Wed., Jan. 19 - End of Semester
 Fri., Jan. 27 - Mon., Jan. 30 - Winter Break Weekend - **No School**
 Tues., Feb. 7 - **Save the date: DHR's Winter Open House Celebration**
 Tues., Feb. 14 - **School Picture Day (details attached)**
 Fri., Feb. 17 - Mon., Feb. 20 - **Presidents' Weekend - No School**
 Mon., March 20 - **Save the date: Middle School Girls' Production!**

4th/5th Grade Boys Eco System Projects!



The 4/5 boys finished learning about ecosystems and how Hashem made the world in such a perfect balance. They researched their own ecosystems and each group gave a presentation of their ecosystem.

Middos Mentions...

...Tehilla was a team leader in class clean up!
 ...Aliza helped a friend in class, how thoughtful!
 ...Aviva helped cleanup a scrapbook mess that wasn't hers!

Eli was a role model for listening in class! Great job!

Mazel Tov to...

...Mrs. London's 6/7 girls for finishing Parshas Mishpatim!
 ...Mazel Tov to Nachi Flink on completing Shnayim Mikra with Rashi's commentary for whole Sefer Bereishis!
 ... 21 of our middle school girls who successfully completed the **DHR Tehillim Challenge!** Thank you to the Rosh HaYeshiva and Rebbetzin Davidowitz for sponsoring this inspirational program and Rivka (Helen) Schlesinger - our principal's Bubby!
 ...R' Mendy & Dassi (Mochkin, DHR class of 2013) Wagner upon the birth of their son Refoel Menachem Nochum.



Benching Superstars

Zeesa Aranov	Yisroel Kosov	Rina Malka Ribakow
Yosef Brea	Zecharia Kuyunov	Aharon Shulman
Zelda Deitch	Rikki Lagunov	Aliza Sloviter
Baruch Ber Herman	Tamar Noble	Rena Vatch
Sara Katz	Michal Polatoff	Levi Yaras
		Moshe Zargary

While you are shopping...

...Help DHR & TIUNY for free, while you shop at:
Tops: We just received a quarterly check from Tops in Education - just register your Tops Bonus card and choose Derech HaTorah of Rochester- we get up to 5%.
Amazon: We just received \$116.53 in a quarterly check from Amazon Smile - choose the Talmudical Institute and shop via your Amazon Smile account (same process, but we get donations)!

From the Principal

Dr. Lea E. Goldstein

This newsletter is dedicated to the amazing, inspirational people at DHR who go above-and-beyond their responsibilities. While the vast majority of their extra efforts often go unnoticed, I would like to offer hakaras hatov to the following people:

- ♦ Mrs. Stacy Burke – whether it's offering extra loving care to children needing special attention, cleaning the lunchroom when the janitor couldn't be here, and doing anything and everything with a smile – thank you!! We truly appreciate all that you do for DHR!
- ♦ R' Ross Kosow – from answering alarm calls from the fire marshal at 3am to wading out on to the third floor roof during a rain-storm to find the source of a leak, to brilliantly repairing and retrofitting all sorts of systems, our building is in great shape because of his dedication!
- ♦ Rabbi Chastain – from designing special-edition shekalim to planning great programming for our middle school boys, to representing DHR on community issues, to dressing up for events and using funny voices for announcements, to running mini-color-war-like events for students when buses arrive an hour late, we appreciate his fun-loving nature and how much he cares about staff and students!
- ♦ Mrs. Bracha London – from late-night or early-morning scrambling for substitutes to making sure that everyone is where they need to be at all times, and that everyone has what they need - she keeps DHR running on schedule!
- ♦ Our teachers – when we need a class covered, our teachers volunteer!! They invest so much time and effort into contemplating the best way to reach each child. They really love their students and care so much. They are an incredible team of dedicated, talented educators!

Math Homework Incentive Superstars!

Middle School students from four different classes qualified for this month's math homework incentives from Rabbi Shulman!

Sara Leah Abrahamson	Mordy Mammon
Dovid Brea	Batsheva Max
Shneur Caro	Chanoch Max
Ella Cohen	Simhah Mory
Yerucham Dahari	Avital Polatoff
Meira Dan	Ahuva Roness
Yitzy Dan	Naama Roness
Aviva Deitch	Sima Scutaru
Chananya Flink	Dovi Shulman
Adina Goldstein	Malka Shulman
Batsheva Hein	Rena Sloviter
Ahuva Katz	Aryeh Solomon
Atara Kosow	Tehila Solomon
Ariel Kuyunov	Dassy Stein
Aliza Lagunov	Esther Stein
Tehila Lehrer	Mottel Vogel
Chava Tova London	Nosson Yaras



Thank you ...

... For the wonderful donation from Ellen & Stephen Filreis, "in honor of Miss Stacy: You are an awesome Director of 1st Impressions"!!
 ...Adina Goldstein for her \$18 donation to DHR!
 ...Rabbi Dovid Roness and his generous donation of \$714 from his Chanukah fundraiser!