

School Choice Week!



6/7 Girls Megilla Projects



2nd Grade had a Math Party!



4/5 Girls Made Siyum (Miketz) Cakes and Oceans for Science!



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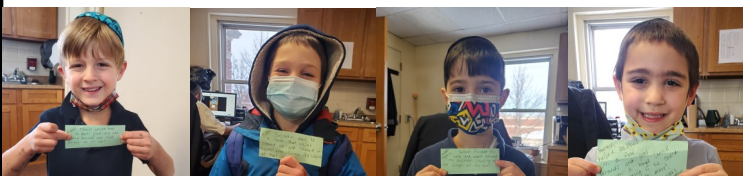
~ Mrs. Yaras for driving our 6-8 girls on their G.O. trip.
~ Mrs. Samuels-Porrata for donating granola bars for our snack cabinet.
~ Mr. Tom Hyman for helping make our sledding field trip happen by picking up, transporting, and dropping off 24 sleds & to Dr. Yehuda Nussbaum for arranging the bus.

Benching Superstars!

Eli Aranov	Avigail Lagunov	Mottel Vogel
Hirshy Cohen	Michal Polatoff	
Ruvy Dan	Mendel Vogel	

Middos Menchen Stars of the Week

Paysach P. (K) - Paysach helped Ms. Hunt with a few errands and jobs with a huge smile asking if he could do more!
Shlomo M. (K) - Shlomo finished his work and went around the classroom cleaning up the scraps on his own!
Binyamin S. (K) - Binyamin went to an area where he was not working and cleaned up the mess all by himself (even though, he wasn't the one who made the mess)!!
Efraim G (K) - Efraim noticed that Ms. Hunt's paper dice were becoming unglued and fixed them for her all by himself!



From the Principal

Mrs. Lea Goldstein

Recently, I was inspired by three ideas mentioned in an Aish.com blog about Tu B'Shvat. Here they are:

On Tu B'Shvat, we have a custom at DHR and around the world of eating fruits such as figs, pomegranates, dates and olives. However, there are no fruits yet on the trees, even in Israel, and certainly not in Rochester! Since we're in the middle of winter, it would seem that this celebration is a little premature! Perhaps the message of Tu B'Shvat is that **although the fruit have not yet grown, the process which creates them has begun!** Rabbi Shafier (founder of The Shmuz and DHR grandparent) often says, "because the way you think becomes the way you feel, becomes who you are. Forever." Similarly, with people, our "fruits" are our deeds and achievements. Let's be inspired to invest the effort and improve ourselves and our world.

Let nature inspire you. The great Rabbi Avigdor Miller was known for taking the time to appreciate the beauty and perfection of nature, marveling at the intricate detail and profound wisdom in the world that Hashem made. "Look at this apple, so perfect, so sweet, so round," he would say before channeling his gratitude into a blessing. Nature is not only there to feed us, but also to inspire us. We can marvel at its beauty and learn from it: The date palm which grows in salty conditions, yet brings forth honey, teaches us to extract the good from the bad. The olive tree, which produces oil, encourages us to persevere to bring light into the world. The grape, which is crushed before producing expensive wine, teaches us the value of humility.

Spring is on its way. During this pandemic, and other times of darkness and isolation, it can be hard to imagine ourselves back in a positive place. After the long, cold months, most trees have lost their leaves, battered by the harsh winds, snow and frost. Just when they look like they are ready to be chopped for firewood, new life appears again. Tu B'Shvat's timing reminds us that spring is just around the corner. As we transition from winter to spring, Tu B'Shvat builds our patience and trust that good times are ahead.

We'd also like to thank the 6/7 girls for helping to prepare the Tu B'Shvat treats and the London family for sponsoring the shivas haminit treats.

Excerpted from: <https://www.aish.com/h/15sh/i/Tu-BShvat-Three-Inspiring-Messages.html>



Frisbee Hill Sledding Trips!



Calendar

~ Sun., Jan. 31st: Boys' Sunday classes (should be on calendar)
~ Fri.-Mon. Feb. 12-15: February Break Weekend (no school)
~ Thurs., Feb. 25th: Taanis Esther (1pm dismissal)
~ Fri., Feb. 26th: Purim Break (no school)

