

Butterfly Unit



Mrs. Hartman's second grade class has successfully hatched their own butterflies!! The students really enjoyed exploring the stages of metamorphosis of these beautiful insects!

3rd Grade Reenactment

After an in-depth study and individual research, the third graders each developed journals and scripts for a Civil War character. The Civil War Town Meeting/Reenactment was the culminating production and included a surprise visit from "Honest Abe" (Lincoln impersonator, John Lemke).



Science



Thank you to...

...Rabbi Dr. Yaakov Pearlman, former Chief Rabbi of Ireland, and beloved Rebbe to hundreds of talmidim around the world, for donating a signed copy of his new sefer פניני יעקב פניני to DHR!

...Gaby Ulloa volunteering at DHR on her day off this past Monday. We are so touched and appreciative when DHR alumni come visit and volunteer!

...Nitzvet Goldstein for her Maaser donation of \$23.



Reminder

Next Wednesday, May 11 will be DHR's Annual Science Fair. This is a schoolwide event. Attached you will find an order form if you would like to purchase dinner that night. Please have the forms along with payment submitted to the office by Monday, May 9th. Hope to see everyone there!

From the Principal Mrs. Lea Goldstein

As the days get warmer and the end of the school year draws near, it's a challenge to keep the learning going and the children's energy inside the classroom. The last few weeks of school are an intense time. Both teachers and students will most likely be feeling the pressure of some finals and tests, and the pull of warm summer days to come. In a recent Education Week Teacher Post, Cossondra George, a veteran teacher at Newberry Middle School in Michigan, suggested that "teachers finish the school year not with a slow glide but with a strong climb."

So, at DHR, we are trying to make the most of this last month by reinforcing some routines and breaking others - by encouraging our students on to new challenges. We are trying to channel spring fever into learning excitement. Our goal is to create lessons and activities that capture students' energy, stretch their minds and engage their attention.

Condolences to...

...Rabbi Joshua Levy upon the loss of his mother, Mrs. Shirley Levy.

"המקום ינחם אתכם בתוך שאר אבלי ציון וירושלים."

5-8 Girls Field Trip



The 5th - 8th grade girls will be going on an exciting field trip to the University of Rochester's Life Sciences Learning Center (LSLC). The LSLC is a unique hands-on science education laboratory for middle and high school students and teachers. Their trip is scheduled for Thursday morning, May 19th from 9:00am - 11:00am. Rather than have the girls ride the buses out to school then turn around and return to Brighton, we will ask all the girls to daven by themselves at home Thursday morning and then meet at the London's house at 8:30am. We need 3 drivers (who are also welcome to stay for the lab/investigation) to drive the girls from the London's house at 8:30am to the U of R's Clinical Research lab at 260 Crittenden Blvd. We will meet their science teacher, Dr. Podewils, at the lab. We also need two drivers (or one driver with at least 6 seats) to drive the students back to DHR at 11:00am. Please call the office ASAP if you can help make this trip a reality for our students! Thank you!

Immunization Updates

Attached is information about immunizations your child may need for the upcoming school year. Please be sure to either fax or mail in health forms, that are completed by your child's pediatrician, to the office as soon as possible. You can find a Student Health Appraisal Form on our downloads page on our website, www.derechhatorah.org.

Calendar

Wednesday, May 11: DHR Science Fair, 5:30pm - 7:00pm.

Monday, June 6th: Grades 4 & 8 Science Written NY State Exam.

Tuesday, June 7th: Teacher Appreciation Picnic, 11:30am.

Friday, June 17th: Kindergarten Graduation & Chumash Presentation, 11am.

Monday, June 20th: 8th Grade Graduation