



# Derech HaTorah of Rochester

The Path of Respect and Excellence

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כ"ט אדר ב', פרשת תזריע, פרשת החודש, תשע"ט

## Music for the Soul



## From the Principal

Mrs. Lea Goldstein



## Mazel Tov to...

...the middle school students who qualified for this month's Math homework incentive:

Tziporah Abrahamson	Maya Chilungu	Pessa London
Raphael Berenstein	Rafi Chilungu	Devora Max
Ahuva Brea	Simha Elmaleh	Yael Noble
Sam Brea	Chayala Hanson	Immanuel Yefraimov

...Mordechai and Adina (Eisenberg - DHR Class of 2006) Rauch upon the birth of a baby boy!

## Hebrew Numbers Winners!

Congratulations to the winners of the 3rd grade Hebrew Numbers Bee!

1st place - Adina Goldstein

2nd place - Moshe Shmuel Chastain

3rd place - Mendel Vogel



## Post Purim PrePesach Period Ping Pong Palooza

Yasher koach to all of the middle school boys who qualified to participate in the PPPPPPPP, the Post Purim Pre Pesach Period Ping Pong Palooza hosted by R' Chastain. Mazal tov to Rafaeli Berenstein on winning the tournament.



## Pesach Prep Via Chumash

Mrs. Davidowitz's 4/5 girls have learned Parshas Va'aira and will soon be completing the 3rd perek of Parshas Bo. These students are now well versed in the significance and the interpretation of the 10 plagues. Their personalized "Makos notebooks" will be a fun and interactive method to share their knowledge at the Pesach seder.



## Thank You to...

...the 2nd graders, accompanied by Mr. Kenyon and R' Chastain, for taking advantage of the beautiful weather and helping clean up the school grounds.

...Mrs. Ruda for her \$200 donation in honor of R' and Mrs. Yitzzy Cohen and family.



I received great feedback regarding Tuesday's Parent-Teacher Team Conferences. Please help us continue to keep the lines of communication open. When parents and teachers work together to help children, it makes a tremendous difference!

Before conferences, we had two very practical Professional Development workshops. The first was led by two experts from Teq who helped teachers become more comfortable using our new interactive boards in their classrooms! Thanks to the Smart Schools Bond Act and the incredible generosity of Mr. & Mrs. Tom Hyman, we now have smartboards in almost every classroom! We have new interactive boards in Kindergarten, 1st grade, 3rd grade, 4/5 Girls, 6/7 Girls, 6/7 Boys and the 8th grade boys' room. Our STEM lab and 2nd grade already had interactive boards, so we are almost there! We appreciate the efforts and expertise of our Teq trainers Mark George and Colin Leathersich. The second presentation, "Stop the Bleed", was hands-on, and very practical, but hopefully something that we will never need to actually use! "Stop the Bleed" is a national awareness campaign and call-to-action. Stop the Bleed is intended to cultivate grassroots efforts that encourage bystanders to become trained, equipped, and empowered to help in a bleeding emergency before professional help arrives. Special thanks to Judy Abelman of the Jewish Community Federation for coordinating the program, and Lauren Wittman, from the University of Rochester's Kessler Trauma Center for training our staff!



## Middos Menchen Stars of the Week

Rafi Chilungu, 8<sup>th</sup> grade - Rafi is always polite and helpful to his peers academically. - Ms. McDonnell

## Benching Superstars!

Eliyahu Aranov	Mordy Mammon	Rena Sloviter
Chaim Chastain	Batsheva Max	Aryeh Solomon
Adina Goldstein	Ethan Nussbaum	Aron Dov Vogel
Ahuva Katz	Dovi Shulman	Mottel Vogel
Ariel Kuyunov	Malka Shulman	Nosson Yaras

## Calendar

Please save the following important dates:

- Wed., Apr. 17th - Fri., Apr. 26th - Pesach Break - No School
- Wed., May 1st - Fri., May 3rd - NYS Math Testing
- Sun., May 12th - DHR Annual Scholarship Dinner
- Mon., May 27th - Memorial Day - No School
- Wed., May 29th - Science Fair
- Fri., June 7th - Grandparents Day
- Mon., June 10th - Tues., June 11th - Shavuot Break - No School
- Tues., June 18th - 8th Grade Graduation
- Wed., June 19th - Last Day of School, 11:30am Dismissal