



# Bais Yaakov e-Newsletter High School

Parshas Vayechi

## Rav Yaakov Hillel Visit

The High School was treated to a rare opportunity, with the visit of **Rav Yaakov Hillel, *shlit"o***, a leading *Rosh Yeshiva* and *Torah* figure in *Eretz Yisroel*. A hush came over our large assemblage, which filled the auditorium from wall to wall, even as Rav Hillel entered the building. The sense of awe and reverence - and appreciation for such an august personality visiting our school - will certainly be long remembered by all present. All raptly listened to the *Rav's* most eloquent exhortation to the students to live up to their role as the great women of *Klal Yisroel*. Thank you to **Dr. Ron Samet** for arranging this one-of-a-kind visit.



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## Rav Nosson Newman and Discovery

Another *Rosh Yeshiva* also left a powerful impression on both students and teachers: **Rav Nosson Newman**, *Rosh Yeshiva* of **Yeshivas Kesser Torah**, spoke about the interplay of ***Emunah* and *Simcha***, as part of the current school year's **Discovery** theme of *Simcha*. Rav Newman's eloquence, imagery, and passion left an indelible impression on all present.

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## Bais Yaakov Trophies

Kudos to our **Robotics** teams for your recent championship performance. *Mazel Tov* to all team members: **Dassi Berry, Shira Cheifetz, Miri Fogel, Nava Golburgh, Leora Esther Greenlinger, Sarah Grunhut, Shalva Kermaier, Meira Lutch, Tzipora Marizan, Leah Rosenbloom, Chana Basya Shafronovich, and Aliza Wiener.**

Thank you to **Mrs. Ora Attar** and **Mrs. Sarena Schwartz** on guiding these newest teams to more Bais Yaakov High School glory - second and third place team finishes in the **CIJE** (Center for Initiatives in Jewish Education) competition in Long Island, in a contest that included twenty-seven teams! Thank you to our robots, **Pip** and **Mikkie**,

for your stellar performances!



### Debate Team Triumphs at Interschool Competition

*Mazel Tov* to our championship debaters at the interschool competition involving seven high schools in Philadelphia: **Ayala Shoob, Bailly Levin, Shani Ifrah, Sivi Lazewnik, Chana Yudkowsky, Chaya Frankel, Sarala Frankel, Tikvah Kholasechi.**

Thank you, **Mrs. Liba Steen**, for guiding our competitors to **All Around Best Team** in the competition!



Twelfth Grade *Chayei Mishpacha* series has gotten off to a robust start. Some early presenters included **Rav Shrager Neuberger** (*Shalom Bayis*), **Rabbi Efy Flamm** (*Kiruv*), **Rabbi Dovid Schwartz** (*Emunas Chachomim*) and our own **Rabbi Naftoli Hexter** (*Simcha*). There is much more to follow.

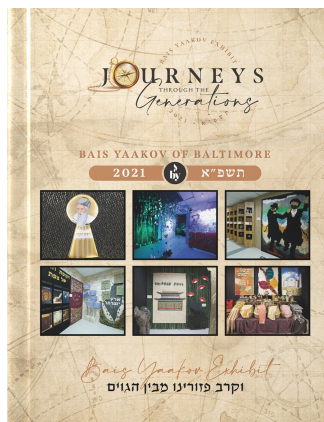


### Mrs. Brull Speaks about the Holocaust

As our population of Holocaust survivors diminishes, we once again turned to a child of survivors to help us experience a deeper appreciation of this catastrophic part of our recent history. **Mrs. Chaya Esther Brull** held us spellbound as she reflected on the life experiences of her late mother, **Mrs. Leah Friedman a"h**, on *Asara B'Teves*. The talk left a profound impact on all present.



Mrs. Friedman a"h doing *kaparos* with Bais Yaakov Preschool girls.



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**Jan 14/15** - High School Production  
**Jan 22** - Second Grade *Chumash* Play  
**Jan 26-31** - Winter Vacation (School Closed)

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