



# Bais Yaakov e-Newsletter Lower Elementary

Parshas Mishpatim



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## **Elementary Melave Malka for Mothers and Faculty**

The recent *Melave Malka* was a special opportunity for mothers to join together with our faculty. The décor was beautiful, the food was delicious and the speakers filled the audience with laughter, energy and inspiration. **Mrs. Zehava Lefkowitz, Mrs. Yehudis Hexter and Rebbetzin Sara Gross** each shared insights on how to bring *simcha* into our lives. Thank you to our dedicated committee members, **Mrs. Shira Baskin, Mrs. Chana Ciment, Mrs. Racheli Daniel, Mrs. Danielle Ellenberg, Mrs. Shira Kirschenbaum and Mrs. Miriam Shapiro.**



### Kindergarten Shabbos Unit

Our **Kindergarten** used the weeks between *Chanukah* and *Tu B'Shevat* to learn and create treasures to use at the *Shabbos* table. After reviewing *kiddush*, candlelighting, *havdalah* and the *seudos*, our girls shared their ideas, recipes, family memories and experiences to celebrate our most wonderful gift of *Shabbos*!



### B'More Inclusive - A Visit from Morah Yael Zelinger

**Morah Yael Zelinger** from **Jewish Education Services** visited our **Kindergarten** this week to teach about disability awareness. February is **JDAIM (Jewish Disability Awareness and Inclusion Month)**. It is the perfect time to start the conversation about people who look or behave differently than us. We noticed that each of us look different and we each have things that we are good at and things we are not so good at. Morah Yael brought "friends" (dolls) with various disabilities. We gave them names and talked about what they might be good at and what they might struggle with. An experiment with a white and brown egg that both have the same yolk inside helped emphasize that we all have a *neshamah* and we were all created by *Hashem*, even if we look or behave differently on the outside.





## Second Grade Chumash Siyum

Over 500 people gathered on a recent Sunday morning to celebrate the **Second Grade's** first **Chumash siyum**. The girls completed 146 *pesukim* and have learned many important tools that they will use to become independent learners. Each girl was adorned with a crown, a beautiful cloak and a golden wristlet as they led the audience through each *perek* with a song capturing the story line. Mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers and siblings who came to share in this poignant *simcha* were impressed by the information, songs and choreographed motions. Special thank you to our *moros* who helped the girls reach this special milestone. May we continue to share much *nachas*!



## Tu B'Shevat in the Lower Elementary

The **Second Grade** joined together for a fantastic *Tu B'Shevat* themed Jeopardy game. Divided by class, each team took turns rolling a large, inflatable die and answering questions corresponding to the number they rolled. The girls had a great time cheering their classmates on as they reviewed the *Shiv'as Haminim* and then enjoyed a special *Tu B'Shevat* treat.

Our **First Grade** created beautiful projects highlighting the role of trees. The projects were colorful, stimulating and assured the girls' engagement with *Tu B'Shevat*.



## Reading Second Grade Cookie Style

The **Second Grade "Read your way to a Cookie Party,"** is off to a fabulous start!

The girls write the titles of books that they have read on a cookie sticker and when they finish a sheet of 12 cookies, they stick them to our cookie bulletin board! This year-long program is a brainchild of **Mrs. Rivky Anisfeld.**



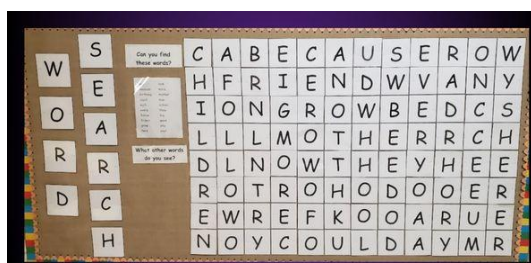
## Hispallalti – NOSH2 Tefillah Program

**Mrs. Rivki Brecher**, our *Limudei Kodesh* Coordinator, introduced a *Tefillah* program to encourage our students to *daven* daily, not just in school but in HOME "2." The motto of the program is, "*Hashem* loves our *Tefillos* – we don't want to miss even one day of *davening*!" Many of our **First** and **Second Grade** students have remembered to *daven* on *Shabbos* and Sunday. Over winter vacation, more than 200 girls were able to say *Hispallalti* NOSH2!



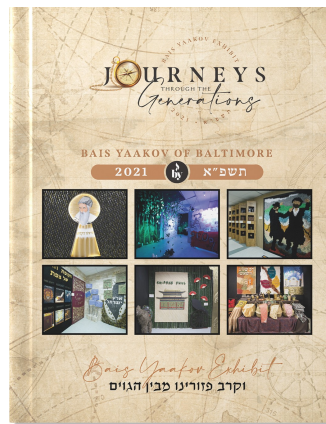
## First Grade Wordsmiths

Our **First Grade** students are expanding their vocabulary in many fun ways. **Mrs. Aviva Marks** has arranged a bulletin board with a challenge for her students to build words using a word find puzzle. We have





had a number of adults stop at the bulletin board to play the game too!



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**Feb 19 - Alumnae Evening of Connection**

**Feb 19, 26 - First Grade Siddur Party**

**Feb 26 - Sixth Grade Bas Mitzvah Dinner**

**Feb 27-28 - Annual Campaign**

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