



Bais Yaakov of Baltimore

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HIGH SCHOOL

EIS TZARAH HEE L'YAAKOV

Together with all of *Klal Yisroel*, we have been dealing with the shattering news coming from *Eretz Yisroel*. The **High School** responded with an in initial assembly of inspiration and *tefilah*, and then a most special gathering including **Bnos Yisroel** and **Cheder Chabad**, where the students heard words of *chizuk* from **Rabbi Yochanan Stengel**, *Menahel* of Bnos Yisroel High School, followed by a stirring *kumzitz* that included close to 700 students and faculty. Presentations about the situation have also been offered to the **Twelfth Grade** by **Dr. David Luchins**, Chair of Political Science at Touro College, and **Rabbi Shimon Kurland**, *Menahel* of Darchei Binah Seminary, who also focused on the profound role of *tefilah* in these circumstances.

A special tribute is due to our students, who have accepted in such a mature fashion the reduction and moderation of activities in the spirit of sharing in the burden of our brothers and sisters, and who have been saying *Tehilim* without being prompted in spare minutes available to them. Kudos, also, for the most beautiful *Tehilim* stand set up by the students in the corridor! May Hashem hear our *tefilos* and view with compassion our extra efforts of *tefilah*, *Torah* and *chesed* for our brethren in *Eretz Yisroel* and throughout the world.



THE YOMIM NORAIM SEASON

Despite the short span of time from school's start to the *Yomim Noraim*, numerous activities and assemblies created a beautiful *ruach* that energized students and faculty alike. Inspirational speeches were offered by **Rabbi Shraga Neuberger**, as well as **Rabbi Zweig**, **Rabbi Shapiro**, and **Rabbi Engelsberg**. The *Yom Iyun* on the topic of **"It's About Time,"** including guest speaker **Mrs. Tehila Gailer**, was a stunning success, thanks to the creative planning and perfect execution by **Mrs. Shifra Rabenstein**, **Mrs. Devora Krakauer**, and **Mrs. Shuli Zeiger**, together with our great *Yom Iyun* student committee.

GMACH KEEPS GROWING

The school *Gmach Chesed* organization continues to grow by leaps and bounds, with now approximately 90% (more than 400!) of the students involved in some type of *Gmach* activities. Thank you to the *Gmach* co-advisors, **Mrs. Malka Zweig** and **Mrs. Zehava Lefkovitz**, to our energetic *Gmach* student heads, and to the school board of directors, whose expansive vision has enabled this growth to happen.

A LIFE SAVED!

Accolades to alumna **Shayna Rothstein**, who inspired and coordinated a bone marrow drive at Bais Yaakov that resulted in a transplant for a 64 year old man battling Acute Myelogenous Leukemia!



November 13 – Elementary School Parent/Teacher Conferences
November 15 & 20 – High School Parent/Teacher Conferences (Early Dismissal)
November 23 & 24 – Thanksgiving Vacation (School Closed)