



## Message from the Principal...

In truth, the great miracle of Chanukah was the small army of Maccabees defeating the Greeks, yet we light a Menorah in commemoration of Chanukah.

Why is the menorah depicted as our connection for what took place and brought about the celebration of Chanukah. When the Jews saw the great destruction of the temple caused by the Greeks, they should have felt defeated, broken, hopeless. Everything was turned upside down and defamed.

With such destruction and mutilation, they were exempt from any of the service that was done in the Holy Temple. They were not expected to search for oil and light the menorah. The chances of even finding pure oil was close to impossible. Yet, the Jewish people searched, determined to light the Menorah. And Hashem rewarded their determination by having them find a small jug of pure oil.

When the small amount of oil continued burning after one day, that is when the miracle of the oil began. Yet, we light for 8 days. What is the significance of the first day and the Jews being determined to light the Menorah?

The first day is when our resolve and dedication burst forth. We could have looked the other way and been excused due to the state the temple was in; however, we were persistent.

The first night of Chanukah, we celebrate the perseverance of the Jewish people. Even in times of despair, even when we are sad and bewildered; we march on.

This seems like a most appropriate time to thank the staff of Rambam Day School for all they do. Teaching can be demanding, often despairing when a teacher is working so hard and hasn't yet reached the goal they desire. But like the Jews who were determined to find that oil, Rambam Day School's staff doesn't give up. Even after they see the flame flickering inside a student; they keep marching on to accomplish more and more!



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# **Chanukah Program 2018**

Featuring



With special celebrity guests!

Monday December 10, 2018

BBJ Synagogue

6:30 p.m.



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**Preschool Chanukah Program** 



















### 2Y News

During Autumn season; 2y was busy with experiments that created a lot of curiosity but most of all, fun! The children painted pinecones, stuffed pine cones with fruit and hay, sifted through a pumpkin to find the seeds, made green slime, and rode in Ms. Kimm's "pretend" bus while singing, " The wheels on the bus."











## **3Y News**

We had fun learning about fire safety. Our visit from the fireman was a real hit. We even stood in the fire truck.

We also made our own classroom firetruck.





# **Pre-K News**

We had some near freezing days recently so it was exciting to be learning about the letter S. We went sled riding on a skateboard, cut snowflakes out of paper, and used

spray snow to trace the letter S on our classroom windows. Of course, the biggest excitement to hit the Preschool wing last week was the fire truck visit! Thanks to Morah Yedidah! The day was freezing cold, but it warmed our hearts to think about how those men protect and rescue people every day and were still willing to make time for our children!





1st Grade

Dreidel spin art in 1st grade! Happy Chanukah!!





4th Grade Menorahs



**SEVENTH GRADE YAHADUS** 

Seventh Graders made GORGEOUS Chanukah Cookie Plates in honor of Chanukah!



### **EIGHTH GRADE YAHADUS**

Eighth Graders made STUNNING Menorah plates in honor of Chanukah!







### Caught in the Act...

Tzviki ran to check up on Dovid when he was hit by accident during recess without anyone telling him to- wow!

### **Days of Learning**

2 days of learning in honor of Ester Rabhan, Thank you for always sharing in our Simchos. Sponsored By: Carol and Joel Greenbeg

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