



RAMBAM DAY SCHOOL

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Message From the Principal:

You know the scene: The 3-year-old wants the toy, the candy, the something that he sees in the check out line, **AND** he wants it noooooow! The crying begins, the crying gets louder, it escalates into a full-blown tantrum.

What would you do? What do most parents do?

Often, the bribing begins. If you'll stop crying, I'll let you choose one thing. The crying gets louder! The stakes go higher! Pretty soon, the happy child is concealed under all the treats and delights his heart desired!

Now for the crucial moment..... I don't mean the one when you get your child home and in the privacy of your home you lash out (rather loudly) how embarrassing that was and how they better **never** do that again.

I mean the moment when you ask yourself, where did I go wrong?

What is your goal when you're dealing with your children? To show who's boss? To instill fear? Or to help them develop into decent, self-confident human beings?

Some Principles of Good Parenting

Know that what you do matters. Your children are watching you. Ask yourself, 'What do I want to accomplish, and is this likely to produce that result?'

Be involved in your child's life. Being an involved parent takes time and is hard work, and it often means rethinking and rearranging your priorities. It frequently means sacrificing what you want to do for what your child needs. Be there mentally as well as physically. When your child comes home from school, take the time to ask about their day. Not the easy way – how was your day? The more, I really do care way, what was the best part of your day? Why? What was your least favorite part of your day? Why? What could I do to make it better?

Adapt your parenting to fit your child. It may be annoying when your three year old asks for the yellow cup and after you take it down says no, I want the red one. Rather than just say NO, because its annoying for you to take out another cup; ask your child, how do we ask nicely? The point being everything annoying to us isn't a reason to tell a child no.

Everything has limits but our annoyance shouldn't set the limit.

Establish and set rules, then do the impossible – **FOLLOW THROUGH.**

Be consistent. If your rules vary from day to day in an unpredictable fashion or **if you enforce them only intermittently, your child's misbehavior is your fault**, not his.

Your most important disciplinary tool is consistency. Identify your non-negotiables. The more your authority is based on wisdom and not on power, the less your child will challenge it.

Explain your rules and decisions. Good parents have expectations they want their child to live up to. We assume children understand what we want. We need to tell them. We assume children know right from wrong, respect from disrespect. We need to teach them and model for them.

Treat your child with respect. The best way to earn respect from your child is to treat your child respectfully. Give your child the same courtesies you would give to anyone else. Speak to your child politely. Respect their opinion. **Pay attention when your child is speaking to you.** Treat your child kindly. Try to please when you can.

The checkout line tantrum?! It can be avoided. Children respond well to structure and information. You can't go shopping without preparing them. Tell them today is a great day for one treat, or I know you're going to want me to buy you something, and I understand being in a store makes you want that really badly, however, we just bought a toy..... or even though we're not going to buy a toy today, if Mommy gets all her shopping done and you help me nicely, we'll have ice cream this afternoon. Etc.

We work on marriages and relationships with co-workers and friends. Our children need us to work on our relationship with them. If we think relationships don't need working on, at least we know where the problem begins.



Kindergarten Succah Party



Art





Elementary Chol Hamoed Trip!



Middle School Chol Hamoed Trip



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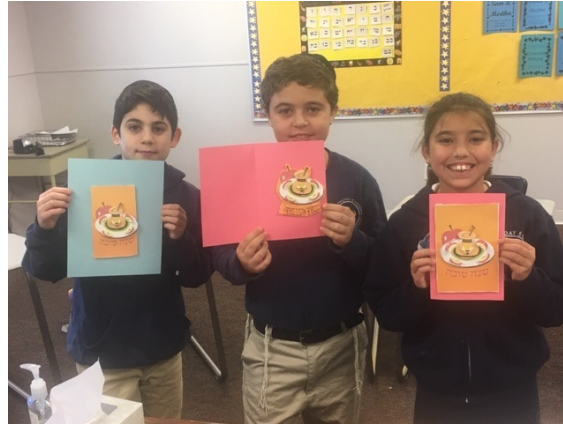
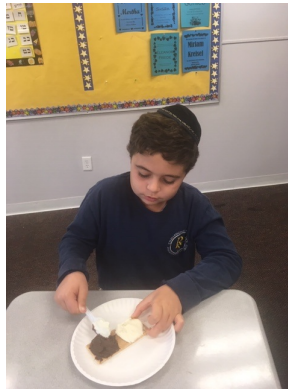
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Fifth Grade

The fifth grade has been busy this month getting ready for all the holidays and maintaining our regular learning. On the 25th of Elul they celebrated the creation of

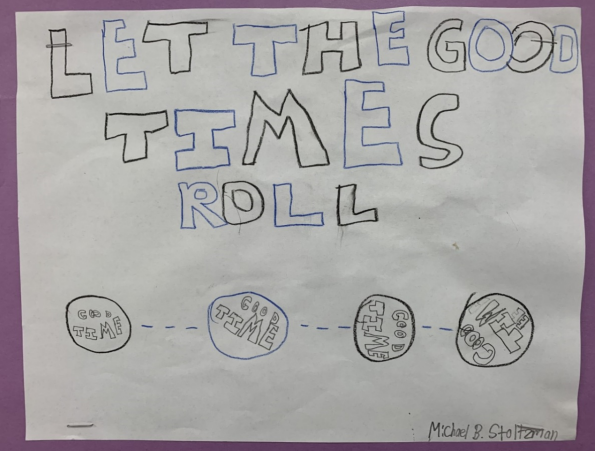
light and darkness. They used cookies to depict light and dark with the help of icing. They made 3D Rosh Hashanah cards. And they created a Sukkah decoration out of sequins art. We hope everyone had an enjoyable yom tov.



Language Arts Update

We have been very busy in middle school language arts! We just finished our first-quarter novel studies of *The Giver* (8th), *The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle* (7th), and *Tuck Everlasting* (6th). Eighth grade students are creating posters and brochures to advertise a utopian community, and their ideas are both creative and thought provoking. In addition to reading, we are continuing to increase our vocabularies and to sharpen our grammar skills. I'm proud to say that sixth graders have mastered all eight parts of speech and have adapted quite nicely to their new LA curriculum. Seventh graders recently illustrated idioms, and two clever examples—one from Shani and one from Michael—are included. We are looking forward to more learning and fun as we move into the fall.

Nancy Arteberry



7th Grade

TEAM

There is no 'I' in team.

In 7th grade U.S. History, we are spending time developing our teamwork skills. We are learning that teamwork can be a motivator, encourage active learning, as well as develop key critical-thinking, communication, and decision-making skills. To get this concept rolling, the class was given a specific list of objectives that needed to be met each day in our class. IF these objectives were consistently met during a two week period of time, the **team** reward was to be making pizza. As you can see, we achieved our goal as a group! WE continue to work hard at maintaining our teamwork skills.

#wearethe7thgrade



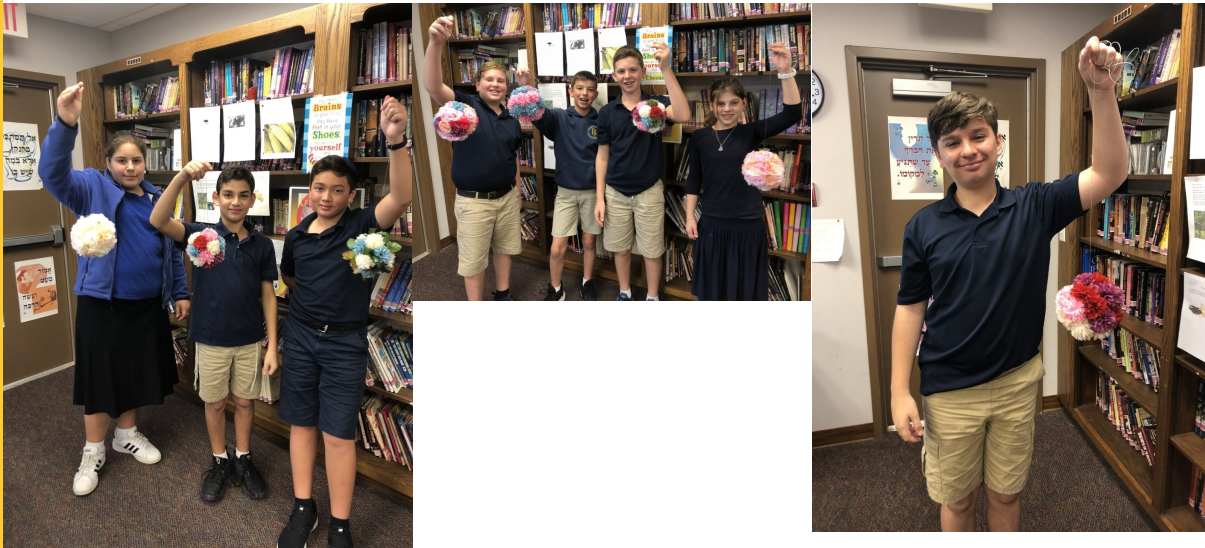
SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE CHUMASH

Seventh graders creating their “Bilams In A Blanket” as we learned about Bilam’s prophecy which he could only receive when sleeping!



SEVENTH GRADE YAHADUS

Seventh graders created wonderful flower decorations for their sukkahs!



Seventh and Eighth graders performing the Tashlich Ritual before Yom Kippur. They “threw” their aveiros/sins into the depths of sea!



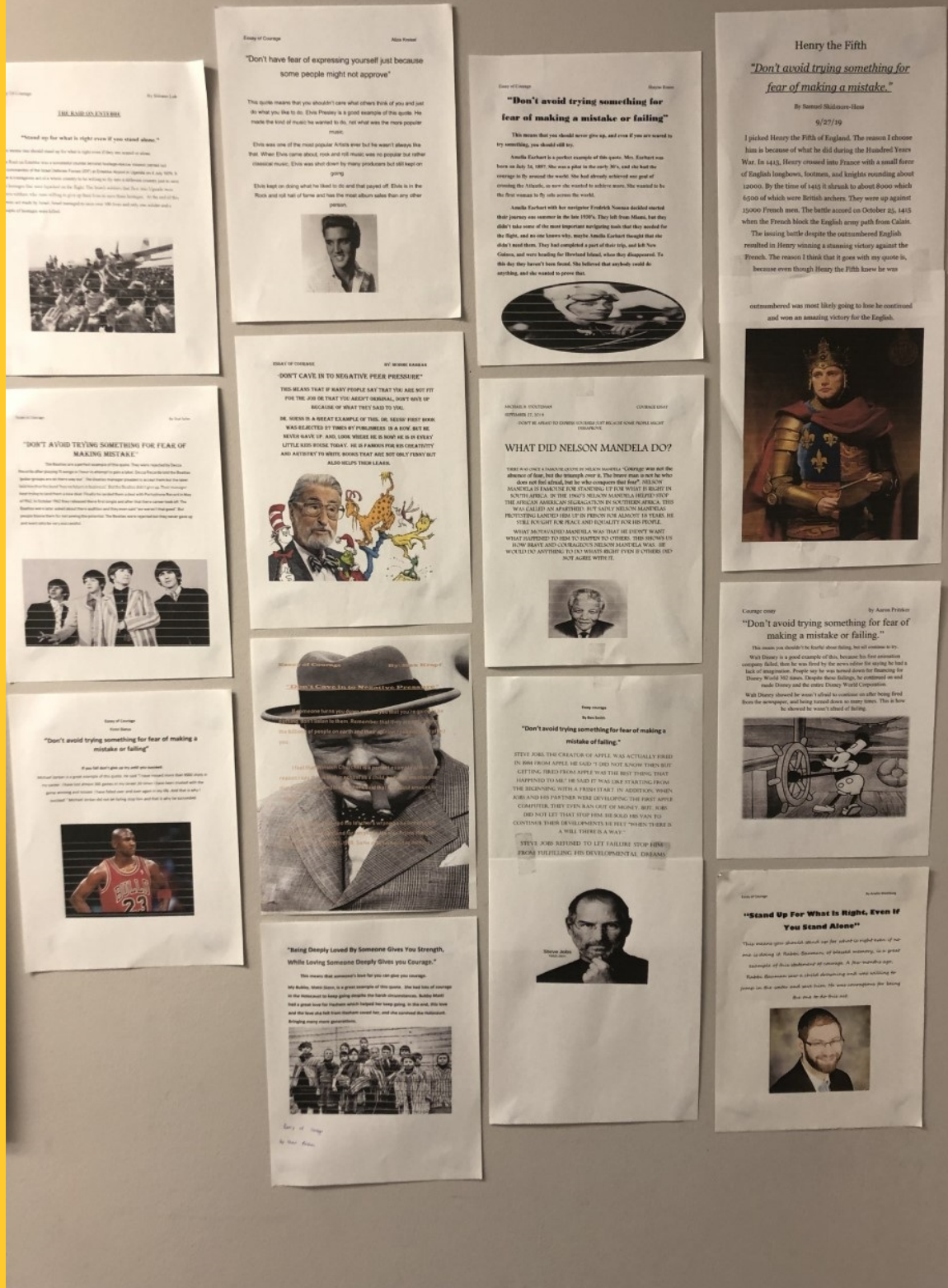
Seventh and Eighth graders assisting with the community Lulav and Esrog preparations!



SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE CHUMASH

Seventh and Eighth graders learned about the courage it took for Pinchas to stand up against a Chillul Hashem/Desecration of Hashem that was happening amongst the Jewish people. We studied the meaning of courage, and discussed specific historical figures who displayed bravery in their lives.

Each student chose a quote that illustrated the idea of courage and connected it to an individual who they felt displayed this idea. Come check out their essays!



EIGHTH GRADE YAHADUS

Eighth graders created Sukkos Pictures to decorate their Sukkahs or homes in honor of Sukkos!



Days of Learning

A week of learning in appreciation to Richard and Merry!
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2 days of learning in merit of a refuah shleima for Harriet Ullman.
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2 days of learning in merit of a refuah shleima for Julia Schachter.
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2 days of learning in honor of Freddie Rabhan, Missed you in shul!
Sponsored By: Doris and Arnie Goldstein

A day of learning in memory of Miller. Sponsored By: Judy and Greg

A day of learning in honor of Rabbi and Ruchie Slatos, thank you for including us in a most enjoyable first night of Succos. Sponsored By: Ron and Kennie Miller

A day of learning in memory of Bella Barnett. Sponsored By: Ester and Freddie

A day of learning in memory of Harriet Konter. Sponsored By: Cookie and Harvey

A day of learning in honor of Leon Aronson, Happy Birthday!
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A day of learning in honor of Harold Yellin, Happy Birthday!
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A day of learning in honor of Doris Klugman, Happy 92nd Birthday!
Lovingly Sponsored By: Joanne, Michael, Boys and Girls

A day of learning in honor of Rabbi Nitekman, Mazel Tov on your new position!
Sponsored By: Susan and Frank Slotin

A day of learning in honor of Yaffa Friendman, Thanks for making the "shidduch".
Sponsored By: Yoni and Rena

A day of learning in honor of Sabrana Rabhan, Thank you so much for overseeing the
Holiday Youth Groups. Sponsored By: Savannah NCSY and BBJ Youth

A day of learning in honor of Sam and Mertha, wishing you much happiness and joy in
your new house! Welcome to the neighborhood!
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A day of learning in appreciation to Joanne and Michael, Thank you for the hospitality!
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A day of learning in memory of Harriet Konter.
Sponsored By: The Chapman Family

A day of learning in honor of Harry and Elana Portman, Mazel Tov on your new baby.
Sponsored By: Cookie

A day of learning in honor of Michele and Alex, Mazel Tov on your new home,
Sponsored By: Barbara and Alan Tanenbaum

A day of learning in honor of LeeAnn, Happy Birthday!
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A day of learning in honor of Lawrence, Happy Birthday!
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