



Newsletter

24 Kislev 5770

December 11, 2009

Candlelighting: 4:05 p.m.

Torah Portion: Vayeishev

Chanukah Happenings

Chanukah is at our doorstep and the lights are flickering at our windows. (Check the beautiful art designs that the children made in Mrs. Howell's art class.)

Our children are in for a festive week thanks to Student Council and PTO.



Chanukah Events:



Monday, December 14, 2:30 p.m. Chanukah performance for Grades K-8, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 15 - Preschool Chanukah Celebration: 9:45 N3, 10:10 PK, 10:35 Toddler Class

Donuts and Hot Cocoa will be sold at dismissal time.

Wednesday, December 16 - Kindergarten and Elementary Performances 4 p.m., PTO Chanukah Dinner 4:45 p.m. Please RSVP

Thursday, December 17 - Preschool visits Jewish Home.

Grades 1-8 Chanukah on Ice at Ralph Walker Rink 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Permission slips must be signed and returned for children to participate, along with \$3 rental fee.

Friday, December 18 - Chanukah Break, No Classes

Names will be drawn from the "Chanukah Bingo" every day and the outdoor Menorah will be lighted by our students at 3:30 p.m. during the week.

The following students won the Student Council Chanukah raffle: Menorah - Nechama Kaufman, Zalman Deitsch - Video, and Yosef Katz - Box of Chocolate Coins.

Chanukah begins Friday evening with the lighting of the 1st candle, before the lighting of the Shabbat Candles.

We extend our best wishes for a very bright and joyous festival. May our collective Chanukah candles infuse the darkness with light and brighten the way toward the Third Bet Hamikdash without delay.



Happy Chanukah to all!

Sparks of Light

We applaud the talents of 7/8 grade girls and BCA students for their delightful performance of "Sparks of Light." Our thanks to Mrs. Russell for working with the girls and developing the creativity that led to the humorous monologues and character descriptions.


Classroom Clips

Congratulations to Rabbi Hodakov's 5th grade upon the completion of the Portion of Shemot. Keep up your good work!

Tehillim Time

Please remember that this Shabbat is also Shabbat Mevorchim and time for Tehilim. Get your slips back by Tuesday, December 15, to be eligible for a prize!

Share-a-Smile

Our thanks to all students and parents who contributed  Chanukah Toys for needy children. The toys were sent and will be distributed through the New York Friendship Circle. Thank you, 6th grade, for undertaking this Share-a-Smile project.

7/8 Grade students will be sharing the joy of Chanukah with our soldiers at remote army bases in Israel every night of Chanukah, bringing menorot, candles, sufganiyot, and dreidels. The class is coordinating this Share-a-Smile project to brighten the festival for the IDF units with contributions to make it all happen. Help the students reach their goal of providing an entire platoon with a Chanukah Party. We will receive pictures of the soldiers enjoying our treats.