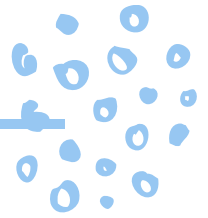




ORANGE, CT

BCA Newsletter



It's been a while and we have so much to catch you up on! Bais Chana is overflowing with activities, meaningful programs and learning!



ASARA B'TEVES

Asara B'teves found our students beading bracelets with names of hostages, for whom they are davening and saying extra Tehillim.



BIG N' LITTLE SISTER

10th and 11th grades had their first Big/Little Sister program where 5th and 6th grade students found out which high school student is their "big sister" and they then made yummy rice krispies treats together.



ROSH CHODESH

The busy month of Shevat came in with a bang as Rosh Chodesh was celebrated with students making their own poke bowls and a fun game of Minute to Win It, that ended with a round of tug of war with the 5th and 6th grade girls.



BULLETIN BOARDS

Chana Katz, Chana Drizin and Chana Schanowitz keep our school decorated with creative lovely monthly bulletin boards that they design.



YUD SHEVAT

Yud Shevat – Bais Chana halls were filled with beautiful tunes to Basi Legani as students were memorizing as much of Basi Legani as they could in preparation for Yud Shevat. Wow! We are so proud of every girl who participated in this collective effort! Every girl who took part was entered into a raffle and our 3 winners were **Ella Eichler, Shternie Cohen and Riki Brackman!** In addition, every participant enjoyed a milkshake party!



TU B'SHVAT

In honor of Tu B'Shvat the girls were treated to a beautiful spread of luscious fruit, artistically presented and put together by Riki Hecht. The girls also enjoyed a creative tree craft using different mediums and made some amazing masterpieces.



CHAF BEIS SHEVAT

BCA's Mother/Daughter night in honor of Chaf Beis Shevat, Rebbetzin Chaya Mushka's yahrtzeit, was a big hit! The focus of the evening is always our Chassidische roots, and students spent time researching their topics, writing essays and producing creative projects. Parents enjoyed the presentations over a delicious dinner. The evening culminated with mothers and daughters joining together to make their own tambourines, each one a work of art! A special thank you to mothers, **Rochele Raskin and Sara Rosenstein**, who worked together with committee members **Chaya'le Wilhelm, Miriam Sarah Mouly, Hinda Landa and Yehudis Drizin** for their invaluable help in setting up the beautiful décor which set the tone for a magnificent evening. The photo booth pictures were a fun memento of the evening.



SHABBATON

BCA's Shabbaton at the Heritage Hotel was a meaningful experience and so much fun! The theme for the Shabbaton was an Attitude of Gratitude. Thanks to the senior class, **Leba Katz, Hadassah Rosen and Chana Schanowitz**, who were so well organized, no detail was overlooked. The girls were busy bonding, singing and enjoying, all while guest speaker, **Miss Mushka Teitlebaum**, had the girls thinking, discussing and schmoozing during farbrengens over Shabbos. A wonderful time was had by all!



SENIORS

The senior class leaves the word "fun" in their fundraisers! Everyone had a grand time ice skating as money was raised for their graduation trip. We're all rooting for you, seniors!

We also wish our seniors much success as they go to their seminary interviews this week. We are proud of all their accomplishments!



ACHOS

The Achos program, which helps inspire high school girls to make yiddishkeit real, was launched; and students are getting involved and growing through the process! A special thank you to **Hinda Landa, Riki Brackman and Rochel Wilhelm** for bringing the program to Bais Chana and to Mrs. Laufer for overseeing it all!

Girls fill out monthly checklists which help them grow in their Avodas Hashem and they are rewarded with great prizes at the end of the month.



SHABBOS MEVORCHIM TEHILLIM

The Tehillim was divided amongst students and each girl received a beautiful magnet with the dates of shabbos mevorchim to have as a reminder throughout the year.

Every girl who says her kapitlach is entered into a raffle for a gift card. Congratulations to **Leba Katz, Hinda Landa and Bella Holtzberg** for winning.



AROUND SCHOOL



SPOTLIGHT ON OUR CLASSROOMS:

11/12 Tanya (Rabbi Schectman) - We learned perek 27 in depth, and covered the Alter Rebbe's advice on how to reframe our perspective when dealing with thoughts of negativity and shame, so that it should not interfere with serving Hashem with joy.

History (Mrs. Doiny) - The 9th grade US history class has been exploring American foreign policy by acting out a Reader's Theatre version of the Monroe Doctrine. We followed that up with an examination of various historical political cartoons and a discussion of the impact of the Monroe Doctrine on international relations today. Currently, we have moved on to the presidency of Andrew Jackson and his treatment of the Native Americans.

9-12 Hashkafa (Mrs. Hadassa Hecht) - Recent Hashkafa classes delved into the concept of Davening, where we discussed that a successful relationship requires each individual to put the needs of the other first. That led to our next topic of Chabad Chassidus, the essence of a Rebbe and what it means to be a Chosid.

10th Grade Chemistry (Mrs. Bertenshaw) – Students looked for evidence of chemical reactions – gas formation or solid precipitation.



MAZAL TOV!!

Miriam Sarah Mouly – 24 Teves
Ella Eichler – 3 Shevat
Batya Raskin – 3 Shevat
Bella Holtzberg – 12 Shevat
Libby Vail – 12 Shevat



UPCOMING DATES

Friday, March 1 – End of second semester
Tuesday, March 12 – Parent/Teacher conferences, 8:00 pm (virtual)
Wednesday, March 13 – noon dismissal, parent/teacher conferences, 1:00 pm (virtual)
Thursday, March 21 – noon dismissal, Taanis Esther
Friday, March 22 – Monday, March 25 – no school, Purim/Shushan Purim
Monday, March 22 – Boarding students return by 7 pm

