



# Shulamith Newsletter

## Parshat Vayeshev Living the Dream

The story of Yosef is one of the most famous stories in the Torah. So, famous that it even made it to Broadway!

Yosef was the favorite son of royalty, from a rich and successful family, who had the world of possibility available before him. Things seemed pretty good for him, minus some bickering with his brothers. Everything started to change after he had two dreams which symbolically described his brothers and parents bowing down before him. Needless to say, his dreams were not well received by his brothers who kidnapped him and sold him into slavery at the young age of 17.

Try to put yourself in Yosef's place for a moment. Yosef had it all, and in a blink of an eye his world collapsed. His own brothers sold him into slavery! Imagine the pain and isolation he must have felt being betrayed by his own family, not knowing if he would ever see his father again.

Things did start to look up for Yosef in the house of Potiphar in Egypt. Sure, he was a slave, but he was the head slave. He was in charge of everything in the house, he lacked nothing. When, all of a sudden, Potiphar's wife made false accusations against Yosef, his whole life crumbled again and he is sent to prison. It was bad enough being a slave... now he is a slave in jail.

In jail, the warden took a liking to Yosef and in time he put him in charge of all the prisoners. Here is where we find another set of dreams, the dreams of the baker and the cupbearer. Yosef interprets the dreams and sets the stage for his eventual meeting with Pharaoh which transforms him from slave to the Viceroy of Egypt in the blink of an eye.

Yosef, unlike his father, didn't have the opportunity to spend 14 years in yeshiva to prepare for his exile. However, his Emunah and bitachon remained steadfast and unbreakable. There were endless opportunities for Yosef to throw his hands up and give up, but he stood strong. We like to believe that we have control over our lives. As we all know, things don't always go as planned. There is an old Yiddish saying, "Mann Tracht, Un Gott Lacht" (Man plans and G-d laughs). The story of Yosef reminds us that even in our darkest moments, though things look bleak, Hashem is always with us. As I like to say, "Man plans, G-d plans better." We should never lose hope no matter how hard things are. As we see from Yosef, our destiny can change in the blink of an eye.

Shabbat Shalom and Chag Sameach!  
Natan Mandelbaum

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Lee-Eden Fischer- December 7**  
**Kaitlyn Grimberg- December 9**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**December 8-11 Chanukah Vacation! No School!**

**December 13-Mommy & Me Program Grades 1 and 3 with Morah Tamar**

**December 13-Pre1A Trip to the NY Hall of Science**

**What's for  
lunch?**

**Change of Date!**

**Melava Malka  
Grades 4-8**

**February 10, 2023**



### **12th**

Taco Tuesday  
Yellow Rice  
Diced Veggies  
Egg Salad  
Fresh Fruit

### **13th RC**

Bagels  
Scrambled Eggs  
Cream Cheese  
Tuna  
Butter  
Veggie Slices, Fruit

### **14th**

Cheese Pretzels  
Green Beans  
Israeli Salad  
Tuna  
Fruit



IT'S BACK....



# ANNUAL CHINESE AUCTION

DECEMBER 25-29

PLEASE SEND IN DONATIONS OF NEW  
ITEMS TO BE AUCTIONED OFF!



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## Parent-Teacher Conferences

December 20, 2023

7-9PM

Please make an appointment by  
clicking the link in your email!

WE ARE  
EXCITED TO  
ANNOUNCE A...

# BOOK SALE!

RIGHT IN TIME FOR  
CHANUKAH!  
BRAND NEW BOOKS  
ONLY \$1-\$3 EACH

SPONSORED BY THE SCHNEIDER FAMILY IN  
MEMORY OF MARILYN COHEN A"H



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# *100% Attendance* *First Marking Period*

**Ayala Rothschild  
Elaina Abrams  
Maya Abrams  
Tirzah Pearlman  
Elizabeth Fuzaylov  
Kaitlyn Grimberg  
Sophia Hai  
Fortune Kabariti  
Sofia Krasnoshteyn  
Henny Laufer  
Avital Rothschild  
Frieda Sciallo  
Leeza Vaisman  
Rebecca Kenigsberg  
Racheli Lavian  
Esther Levy  
Miri Weiss  
Marielle Alsaygh  
Bella Kornblum  
Henchie Shtaynberger  
Orly Adler  
Henchie Boyar  
Meira Husarsky  
Rachel Mandler  
Talía Schneider  
Aliza Simon**

*Wow!*



# Preschool News

Dear Parents,

The children are so excited to be able to take home their Chanukiot. The Chanukiot are made from wood and even though they have been carefully tiled, they should not be left unattended when lit. We have practiced saying the ברכות and saying הנרות הללו and מעוז צור. The girls also used their fine motor skills and eye-hand coordination when they designed their ברכות cards and the Chanukiot.

We learned that one of the miracles of Chanukah is that there was only enough oil for one night, but that it lasted for eight nights. We, therefore, decided to make oil by squeezing olives..... It really took a long time to produce even a little amount of oil using that method!

Incidentally, we have added עלינו to our daily תפילות when we learned how Antiochus wanted the Jewish people to bow down to him. We know that we only bow down to Hashem.

In this week's Parsha - פרשת וישב we learned that Yaakov loved Yosef very much and he taught him Torah. He also made him a special multi-colored coat, כתנת פסים. We learned about Yosef's dream of bunches of grain bowing down to him and about the dream of the sun, moon and eleven stars bowing down. Yaakov told Yosef off about the dreams, telling him that he should not make his brothers jealous. We discussed how it is important not to make someone jealous. When one is jealous it might make another person act inappropriately just like Yosef's brothers did. We learned from the Parsha not to talk לשון הרע as that can do a lot of damage. We let the girls think about times when it is permissible and necessary to tell someone, and when it is better not to. We learned that it is important to give people the benefit of the doubt, as sometimes we don't know the whole story. However, we know that it is always important to tell an adult about a friend's action if that will prevent someone getting hurt.

We are looking forward to learning next week's Parsha so that we can find out what happened to Yosef. We have learned that Hashem knows what is best and so we hope that things will work out well for Yosef in the end.

This week we also started our Leo Lionni author study. We learned that Leo Lionni was born in 1910 in a small town in Holland. As a young boy Leo Lionni spent hours studying and sketching the paintings from museums near his home. Leo Lionni loved animals and he used to love looking after caterpillars, fish, frogs, mice and snails. In fact, many of these animals are featured in his stories.

We read the first book Leo Lionni wrote called "Little Blue and Little Yellow". This was published in 1959 and the idea for the story came as he was trying to entertain his grandchildren on a train ride through Europe. We will be reading many other Leo Lionni books during the month.

We also read his book entitled "Inch by Inch". In this book an inchworm measures all kinds of animals until his life is threatened and he measures his way out of sight. After reading this story we decided to practice our measuring skills. We made our own inchworm rulers and had fun measuring our fingers, shoes and various items in the classroom!

Finally, the girls really enjoyed our special guest, Maish Goldish, who came to school this morning. We sang, laughed and really enjoyed being entertained by him. What a great way to welcome in Chanukah!

Wishing you all a wonderful שבת שלום וחנוכה שמח,

Morah Carolina

Morah Ahuva

# Preschool Pictures

**PRE1A TEAMWORK!! Spearheaded a toy drive for Chai Lifeline. Look what can be done when we all work together.**



**Squeezing olives to make olive oil**





# Shulamith Snapshots

## BOOK SALE!

**THANK YOU SO MUCH TO THE SCHNEIDER FAMILY!**

**The sale supports our 8th Grade senior trip and is  
l'nishmas Marilyn Cohen**







**Introducing our middah of the month...**

**This month's middah is sponsored by the Fruchthandler  
Family I'nishmas נתן גבריאֵל בן אליהו**



**SO NOW...**



**SMILE AND SAY:**

**HELLO!**

**GOOD MORNING!**

**GOOD NIGHT!**



**To your:**

**father, Mother,**

**sister, brother**

**Bus driver, teacher,**

**classmates, and friends**



**(Even if you are NOT in the mood!)**

**In fact, to just about anyone you know!**

**# Call your GrandParents to wish them  
a Good shabbos/ שבֿת טאָט**

**A kinder friend to be 🤗 Becoming a better me**



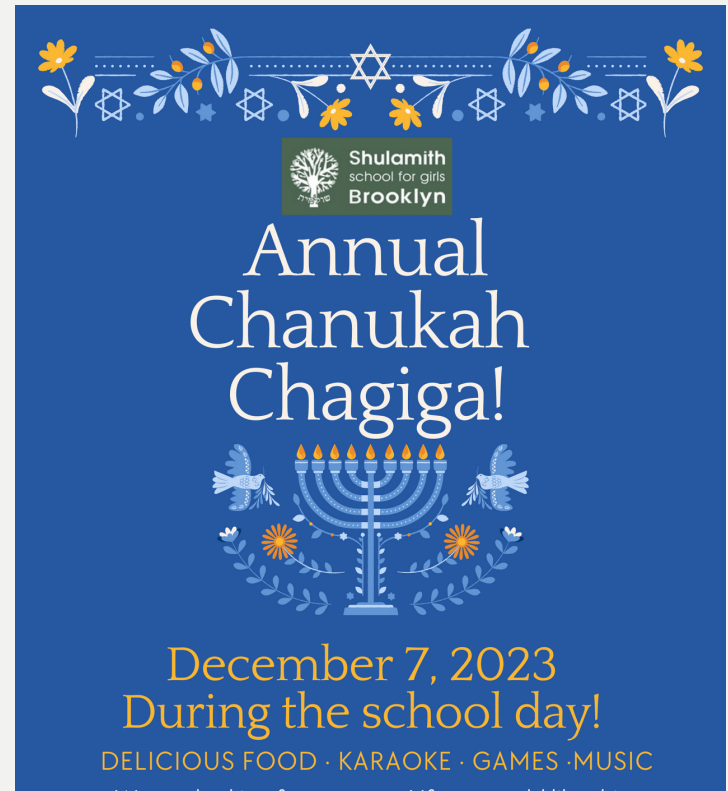
# Shulamith Snapshots

**Thank you to our Chanukah Chagiga Sponsors!**

**The Khallouf Family for the Yartzheit of Lizet bat Salha**

**The Sciallo Family with Hakarot Hatov for the 4th Grade Teachers**

**The Alsaygh Family with Hakarot Hatov for Mrs. Mandelbaum**



**Pictures coming soon!!**



**Congratulations to our 5th and 6th Graders who have won our first bentching contest! The girls are headed to Dave and Busters in January!**

**The trip is sponsored in memory of Emilie Szekely. May her neshama have an aliyah.**



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## Kita Bet & Gimmel in-house Chanukkah Chayiga!



Happy Hanukkah



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SCIENCE WITH MORAH AMY

3rd Grade learning the particles of matter

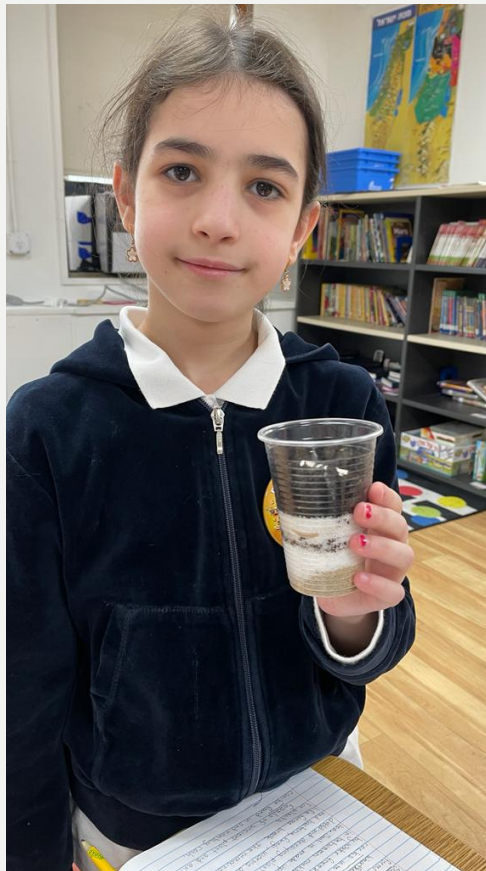




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SCIENCE WITH MORAH AMY

4TH GRADE MAKING ROCK LAYERS





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ART, MENORAH, AND JEWELRY WITH MORAH SIGAL





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## GYM WITH COACH RUCHIE





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## Certificate of Excellence

This certificate is awarded to

**CHAVIE POMERANTZ'S STUDENTS**

by IXL on NOVEMBER 28, 2023

for excellent performance on 50 third-grade math skills



*Paul Shiner*  
IXL DEAN OF STUDENTS

**Congratulation to  
Mrs. Pomerantz 3rd  
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achieving  
excellence in 50  
third-grade math  
skills**

## Local Events

### \*BNOS OF MARINE PARK



**JOIN US FOR A FUN SHABBOS AFTERNOON!**



#### ABOUT

Girls grades K-5 are invited to join Bnos of Marine Park for parsha, games, and nosh.



#### LOCATION

Rabbi Eichenstein's shul  
4017 ave P



#### TIME

2:30-3:30 pm  
starting 10/21 until  
Pesach



**SUNDAY DECEMBER 17, 2023**

**8:00 PM AT**

MERKAZ YISRAEL OF MARINE PARK  
3311 AVENUE S  
BROOKLYN, NY 11234

Event is for Men and Women.  
There is no charge for this event, but donations would be appreciated.  
If you are interested in sponsoring, please contact the Executive Board/Rabbi:  
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PRESENTS:**

a post Chanukah evening of  
inspiration with the Honorable  
**RIVKA RAVITZ**



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