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The Arie Crown Motto

Where Middos & Learning
Are Linked Together



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Upcoming Events

- 1-30 Sat.eve.Chezlarious!
- 2-1 Mon. Bagel w/ Tuna/Cream Cheese Lunch
- 2-3 Wed. Pizza Lunch
- 2-4 Thu. Turkey Sub w/ Veggies & Pickle Lunch
- 2-18 Thu. Picture Retake Day – Don't forget to bring your order form/pictures

Luach

- 1-29 Candle Lighting Time-4:42 PM
- 1-30 Shabbos Parshas Beshalach;
Tu B'Shevat
Sof Z'man Kriyas Shema-9:35 AM



Looking forward to greeting you



at "Chezlarious!"

featuring Second City

The world's greatest institution of comedy will present a specially produced, multi-stage comedic extravaganza on a scale they have never before attempted in their 50 year history. Event chairs: Jeremy & Rebecca Amster, Benjy & Estie Israel, Yaacov & Esther Mashiach, and Ari & Shoshana Shabat.

If you have any questions regarding your Give/Get statement, please call:

Mrs. Miriam Mendelsberg at 773-761-4874

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We are looking for donations of flat panel computer monitors – any size. Please contact Ellen Wigoda at school or via email (eswachds@gmail.com) so we can arrange pick up. Thank you.

Change of Date – Arie Crown Artist Alert!

Who will step up to the palette? Last year we had awesome artwork! We're looking for art to exhibit at Centre East (S.O.A.R.) Please make sure your name, grade and room number are on the BACK of your work. Please DO NOT laminate work. Most forms of art are acceptable and will be considered. Try your hand at pastels, watercolors, pencil sketches, etc. Be creative! Drop your entries off in room 303 or room 308 no later than February 8th. Let's see Arie Crown SOAR!



Keep on reading! The Six Flags Read to Succeed Program has begun. Each student in K-6 that reads for 6 hours and returns the log sheet between now and February 5th will earn one free ticket to Great America. Extra log sheets are available in the front office.

**Did you purchase
your tickets yet???**
We're almost sold out!!!

Erev Shira 2010

Wednesday, February 10th!

See attached flier!

* URGENT!! We are still in need of someone to sew aprons! If you are available to assist us, please contact the front office at 847-982-9191 and leave a message for Mrs. Levin as soon as possible. Give/Get will be given for your time. Thank you!

* Looking to make some space in your closets? The Erev Shira cast is in need of boys plaid or colored button-downed shirts in kid sizes 12, 14, 16 and Khaki (Khaki colored, navy blue, black) pants.

* Erev Shira is in less than 2 weeks and we still need props to make it the best yet! If you would kindly lend us some of these items with your name and phone number on the back it would really be appreciated! We still need:

pots	fake cutlery	suitcases
BOXES	2 backpacks	fake barekas, rolls
sponges, soap, towels		folding table
any random household items		

Thick books – any genre doesn't matter

old clothes (that you would not mind being lost or damaged)

If you have any of these items, PLEASE contact Mrs. Litwack or Mrs. Jaffe at school! Remember to write your name on the item!!! Thank you!

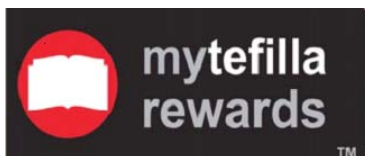
The Props Committee

We are all excited about the upcoming Erev Shira performance! IY"YH it will be a night filled with great pride for the children, and much nachas for the parents and grandparents. Sharing in your child's "special moment" by being present and applauding appropriately greatly enhances the evening. Bringing presents creates unnecessary feelings of jealousy among others. It only diminishes your greatest gift to your child – yourself! Therefore, we respectfully request that you do not bring any gifts (e.g. flowers, balloons, etc.) to the Erev Shira. Let us all be zoche to continued true yiddishe nachas!

Ladies and girls interested in helping with hair and makeup the night of Erev Shira, please contact Mrs. Jaffe or Mrs. Litwack at the school at 847-982-9191.

Please note: Late School opening on Thursday, Feb. 11th for girls in grades 1-7: 10:30 AM. 8th grade girls: 12:00 PM.

Purim is coming! It is not too early to purchase your Purim cards! Cards are on sale in the school office, or call Sue Dimbert at 773-856-0658. Cards are sold 4/\$5 or 8/\$10.



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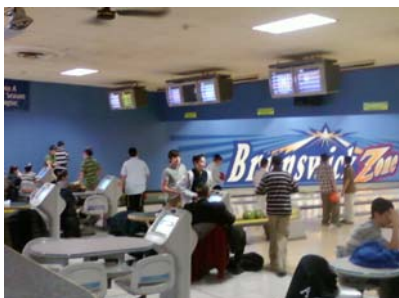
our Executive event
for our members who realize
***Davening is all about talking...
... talking to Hashem***



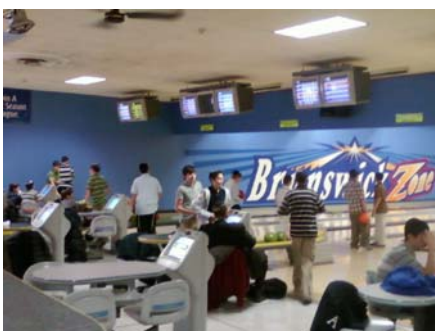
Strike! Wow! The boys' Ivrit Incentive Program was on a roll this week as the boys in 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, & 8th grades played two awesome games of bowling at Brunswick Zone Bowling Alley! We enjoyed

witnessing the boys' amazing bowling talents, and even more importantly, their ACHDUT as they cheered for one another (and some of their teachers!). The boys earned the bowling trip by demonstrating good effort and behavior in Ivrit and maintaining at least a B- average. A big Yasher Koach to all of the boys who attended! There are some very important people we'd like to thank for helping

make this event a success: Our esteemed Hanhalah, Rabbi Samber and Rabbi Robinson, for their generous support.. .. The incredibly dedicated front office staff, Mrs. Lindenbaum, Mrs. Goldwag and Mrs. Levi, for their



endless assistance... The devoted Rabbeim, Morot, and teachers that chaperoned the trip.... The parents who encouraged and supported their sons' work in Ivrit... We could not have done it without you! Todah Raba & Lehitraot!!



Mrs. M. Amuyoul & Mrs. C. Worch

EARN GIVE/GET CREDIT

Two volunteer opportunities are available in the English Library to earn give/get credit:

Help is needed on Friday mornings from 11:30 A.M. until 1:10 P.M. Duties include checking out books and shelving books.

Help is needed with the implementation of a special reading program called Book Adventures, sponsored by Sylvan Reading Center. Duties include checking availability of books in our library and marking these books with a special sticker.

DAYS AND HOURS ARE FLEXIBLE. YOU choose your available times. This program cannot begin until we do the initial start-up procedures. Please help!!

Elaine Steiner, English Library

Health Corner

Burns

Burns are a potential hazard in every home. In fact, burns, especially scalds from hot water and liquids, are some of the most common childhood accidents. Babies and young children are especially susceptible — they're curious, small, and have sensitive skin that needs extra protection. Taking a few simple precautions can make your home safer and can prevent many burns.

The first step in helping to prevent kids from being burned is to understand these common causes of burns:

- ▶ scalds, the No. 1 culprit (from steam, hot bath water, tipped-over coffee cups, hot foods, cooking fluids, etc.)
- ▶ contact with flames or hot objects (from the stove, fireplace, curling iron, etc.)
- ▶ chemical burns (from swallowing things, like drain cleaner or watch batteries, or spilling chemicals, such as bleach, onto the skin)
- ▶ electrical burns (from biting on electrical cords or sticking fingers or objects in electrical outlets, etc.)
- ▶ overexposure to the sun

Burns are often categorized as first-, second-, or third-degree, depending on how badly the skin is damaged. Both the type of burn and its cause will determine how the burn is treated. All burns should be treated quickly to reduce the temperature of the burned area and reduce damage to the skin and underlying tissue (if the burn is severe).

To be continued....

Chana Goldstein RN CPNP
ATT School Nurse Consultant
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This week in Rabbi Spector's 5th grade boys' class, we watched a movie about the Six Day War. Our Rebbe told us that the war was a very big miracle. In Mishna we learned about the 7 close relatives for whom a person sits shiva. In Chumash, we learned that you can't curse a deaf person. Our Rebbe told us that this really means "You can't curse anyone that is alive." We also learned that you can't put a stumbling object in front of a blind person. Rebbe also told us that this really means "Don't misguide someone who doesn't know better."

By Avi Bar-Meir and Nesanel Gutstein

This week in Mrs. Dubovick's 4th grade girls' class, we are working way hard for Erev Shira! All week we have been working on our family trees, in Chumash and Chayeinu, and now we're doing a project for Tu B'Shevat with our own family pictures! We all did a great job on our recent Ivrit test, and the highest score was 104! On Thursday, Mrs. Atlas came with her keyboard to play our Erev Shira songs and we all got our parts! We learned that the Haftorah this Shabbos Shira (songs) when B'nei Yisroel crossed the Yam Suf is Shiras Devorah, which we learned in Navi and performed in December! It was a great week! Have a great Shabbos and Tu B'Shevat!

By Ayelet Ashkanazy, Adina Drapkin and Elka Dena Spector

This week in Mrs. Greenberger's 3rd grade girls' class, we finished Sefer Tehillim! We also danced and sang cy kznucy inx. We wrote in our vj pan papers. We also learned more in Rashi. We started to make an lka vj pan .g! We had a blast this week! Have a good Shabbos!

By Sarah Levinson and Tali Shabat

Early Childhood

The Early Childhood is excited to link up with the Skokie Library to bring wonderful resources to our classrooms on a monthly basis. We have enjoyed the wonderful new books connected to ongoing themes in our classrooms, books on tape, fun music and movement CD's and more! Thank you to our early childhood committee, for implementing this program with our pre-nursery, nursery and kindergarten classrooms.



The young ladies in Mrs. Kotler's K108 bunch took a lesson from the past...when we introduced the phoneme QU...we decided to follow-up and do some quill painting...so we got some feathers, dipped them into paint and went to work...the girls understood that in the "olden days", as they called them, "Rabbis maybe used quills to write...maybe even in the Torah"...one of our little girls commented that they even use them now...that is true enough...our bunch takes it all in...antiquated writing instruments are no secret to them!!!

Although the weather outside has been cold and dreary, it's been warm and cheery in Pre-Nursery 103. We've been doing a unit on colors and now know how to say all of the colors of the rainbow in Ivrit! We planted marigold seeds in honor of Tu B'Shevat and can't wait to see them grow. Maybe we'll have some pretty plants by Shavuot! With the Olympics coming up, we've been practicing our sledding skills. It probably won't take the Olympians 45 minutes to dress and go outside like it does for us! However, if there was a gold medal for smiles and laughter for sledding the children of PN103 would win, hands down!

Morah Rachelle, Morah Debbie
& Morah Michal

A special thank you to our early childhood parent volunteers Becky Langer, Mindy Lebovics, and Tzivvia Allswang who assisted with our early childhood gym class this week. We appreciate you lending a helping hand! If you are interested in getting involved in other volunteer opportunities in the early childhood, please email -Ellen Rashkow at ellenrashkow@gmail.com or Ayelle Schudy at aschudy@gmail.com for more information!



This week in Mrs. Bohmbach's 5th grade boys' class, we learned about common denominators. We also learned about Dmitri Mendeleev. He creates the periodic table. We have to do a report on Mendeleev. We also have to memorize some elements

from a song. The website for the song is www.privatehand.com/flash/elements. It is totally cool. In gym we have rollerskating. It's awesome. Thank you Mrs. Jedd, Steven, and all the parents who helped.

By Coby Garfinkel and Yoni Rubin

P.S. Rabbi Samber is the best principal ever!

P.S.S. Rabbi Robinson is also the best principal!

P.S.S.S. Mrs. Feiger you are awesome!

P.S.S.S.S. Mrs. Wigoda you're awesome!

P.S.S.S.S.S. Mrs. Bohmbach's awesome!

I know you've all been waiting a long time to hear from us, but that wait is over! In Mr. Vinikoor's 5th grade boys' class, at the beginning of the year we read a book called Holes. It's about a kid named Stanley. Stanley goes to a camp called Camp Green Lake. If you want to find out what happens in the awesome book read it. Now at this point of the year we're doing writers' workshop with our very own Mrs. Feiger. We're learning about attention grabbers, which is a topic sentence that catches you like Mr. Eason catches you in the hall running. If you want a good example, take a look at the first sentence again. So there you have it from Akiva Garfinkel and the rest of Mr. V.'s class!!!

The past two weeks in Mrs. Pauker's 5th grade girls' class we have been learning about fractions. We have been learning how to add, subtract and multiply. We had a math test on Tuesday and our Wordly Wise test and spelling test. We started a new book in school called Island of the Blue Dolphins. Our class has also been learning about adverbs. Our WOW word is "onomatopoeia". We also had "philatelist" and "numismatist". Some people made cards for onomatopoeia writing a sentence and drawing a picture. Wow! It was a busy week.

By Sara Bitton and Nechama Levy-Weller



Pop! Pop! Pop! In Mrs. Popper's 4th grade girls' class, we are in the middle of reading The Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles. In math we are learning 2-digit numbers times one-digit numbers. We are

roller skating in gym. We all had a lot of fun. We also played limbo and Adina Drapkin won both times. In spelling we are learning harder words. On Tuesday we had library, and we read to the Kindergarteners. We read a lot of good books. We hope the Kindergarteners enjoyed what we read to them. We are doing a lot more in Science. We have two plant hogs. One plant is the Amaryllis and the other one is Ziva (not Ziva the person in our class). The S.O.A.R. Art Contest is coming up, and we hope everybody participates. Have an awesome week.

By Hila Argamon, Chaya Gertsberg,
and Hannah Levitan

This week in Mrs. Whisler and Rabbi Levinson's 4th grade class, we had a bowling trip for Ivrit, and it was really fun. Also this week, we are proud to say that Yosef and Avraham got this month's Middos award for saying their Brachos. We wish them Mazel Tov. We worked on our haiku poems in class and in the computer lab. Our class is very busy this week working on the carnival booths that Mrs. Matanky assigned to us. We would like to thank Ms. Karen Weiss for giving our class the book on the Titanic. Have a good Shabbat!

Reuben Hartman, Yosef Drutman
and the rest of Mrs. Whisler's 4B class

This week in Mrs. Pinsky's 3rd grade boys' class, we had a practice math review test. We are going to make Adobe houses, with water colors and shredded paper. We read a book about a little painter named Fernando. Fernando painted Adobe houses because he had no paper. Finally, we made a chain about Martin Luther King Jr.'s life.

By Daniel Friedman and Ami Mashiach

We've been doing lots of fun things in Mrs. Ozmina's 1st grade class. Last week we did batik printing (painting with BLEACH – don't try this at home!) and sketches with black India ink and pens. In Science, we planted a sweet potato to see how the roots grow. We also made "grew" words with short vowels. We love school!

ARIE CROWN

The Arie Crown Family would like to extend a Mazel Tov to:

C Births

O Mr. and Mrs. (class of '01) Paci Elbaum on the birth of their daughter, Rochie. Mazel Tov to the grandparents, Rabbi and Mrs. Shlomo Schwartz

R Mr. and Mrs. David Aronin on the birth of their granddaughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Tani Aronin

N Bar/Bas Mitzvahs

E Mr. and Mrs. Abie Gutnicki on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Ariel

R Mr. and Mrs. Moshe Mermelstein on the recent Bar Mitzvah of their son, Gabi

Ariel, we are so proud of you and know that you are going to do a great job! We love you! We also want to thank Rabbis Samber and Robinson, and your Moros and Rebbeim, Mrs. Steinfeld, Mrs. Cziment, Rabbi Schwartz, Rabbi Levinson, Rabbi Pomerantz, Rabbi Rifkind, and Rabbi Nadoff for all their work helping teach you and guide you in the ways of Torah and Mitzvos.

Love, Mommy, Daddy,
Amitai, Doniel, Amir, Meital, Aviad and Ilanit

Mistaken taken at recess: Lost boys black (with some orange inside lining and/or hood) jacket, size 18 or 20 with black gloves and a red hat inside pockets. If found, please contact 773-338-5162.

Mrs. Chavi Birnbaum of Arie Crown Resource room is now available to tutor/homework help your child after school hours. You can contact her at 773-756-6735.

MY MASTERPIECE: Looking for a way to let the creative side of you come out? Join us at MY MASTERPIECE where you will experience the pleasure of learning a range of skills while creating creative crafts! For girls 3rd-4th grade; 8 Sunday sessions (Feb. 17-April 8); 10:00-11:30. Price: \$120 with a supply price of \$30. Register a friend and get an extra session free! Call Chavi Birnbaum at 773-756-6735.

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We're so excited to announce the opening of registration for Camp Oneg's 13th Bar Mitzvah year! We're planning a special overnight trip to celebrate! Register now while good seats are still available! Mazel Tov, Boruch Shepitrani...Call R' Sherman at 773-575-3175 or R' Pomerantz at 773-973-7747.

Join Super Science this Sunday! This week only: All Groups! All ages! This week we'll be doing, "Chill Out with Liquid Nitrogen!" with Dr. Arthur Friedman. All classes held at IDT, 8180 McCormick Blvd. For info, call 847-745-1706.

Tired of doing your own taxes? Missing out on deductions, credits, and refunds? Take action now and call Deborah Schwimmer @ (773)856-5554. Confidentiality guaranteed.

CHICAGO YACHAD in celebration of North American Inclusion Month on February 12-13th Shabbos Parshas Mishpatim and ,in conjunction with the Jewish Special Education Int'l Consortium proudly presents special guest speaker Judge Daniel Butler who will speak on the theme of "Building an Inclusive Jewish Community". Danny has amazed audiences around the globe with his own life's story and his powerful message. Come laugh, cry, learn and be inspired! He will be speaking at different shuls over Shabbos and at a community wide Melava Malka Motzai Shabbos.

Danny will be speaking at KJBS on Friday night, At an Oneg Shabbos at the home of Jo and Jonah Bruck 6253 N. Saint Louis at 8:00 pm catered by Srulie's and graciously sponsored by the Brucks. Shabbos morning before mussaf at KINS. Shalosh Seudoes at Adas Yeshurun. Melava Malka at Shaarei Tzedek 8:00 pm no admission fee, catered by Bagel Country. All taking place on February 12-13th Shabbos Parshas Mishpatim. For More Information please contact Chaim Suss at 847 674 9470 or chicagoyachad@yahoo.com.

Linda's Headquarters at 3339 W. Dempster in Skokie is having a big sale. Buy one winter hat get the 2nd one free. Buy one 40% off. The sale is for this week. Starting Sunday 12-6 PM till next Sunday, Feb.7th. Please continue to bring in your hardly worn wigs for cash or credit in store. Many people are looking for wigs. You will get cash or credit to store and do a chesed for the community at the same time. Please call me for more information. 847-679-0669. We also carry Riki Kiki shells, and have clearance on uniform shirts.

Great real estate values available for sale in West Rogers Park, Peterson Park, Lincolnwood and Skokie. There is still time to receive the \$8000 first time home buyer credit or \$6500 repeat buyer credit. For more info please call Phyllis Smith, Coldwell Banker Leader Realty 773-580-0337.

What a wonderful Shabbaton we had together with Moshava! The kids learned about places in Israel and about places in Moshava and had so much fun! This week, all Zach kids are going on a Shabbaton to Detroit. Snif here will be 2:30 - 4:00 in all 3 snifim. Don't forget the Amazing Tu b'Shevat event that will take place this Sunday, January 31, at Or Torah at 4:30 p.m. We prepared wonderful activities including arts and crafts, and fun games about Israel's trees and places in Israel. We look forward seeing you all there!

Don't miss, starts Friday night! 3 YU Torah Mitzion Kollel Tu B'Shevat Community Events! Fri Jan 29th 8PM. WRP Young Couples Seder/Oneg at home of Rabbi & Mrs. Michael Teitcher, 2619 Greenleaf. Skokie Tish at home of Rabbi Reuven & Dr. Nechama Brand, 9018 Sleeping Bear. SUNDAY, JAN 31st 4:30PM at Or Torah in partnership w/ Hillel Torah & Bnei Akiva "Israeli TuB'shvat Family Experience" of games, learning, food. For more info call Kollel office 773.973.6557.

SAVE THE DATE! Sun. Feb. 14, 2010 at Skokie Valley Agudath Jacob Synagogue. YU Torah Mitzion Kollel Annual Dinner honoring Mr. & Mrs. Eric Rothner-Yesod Olam Award; Rabbi & Mrs. Shaanan Gelman-Eitz Chaim Award. 6:30PM Shiur-Rabbi Meir Goldwicht "Vision & Perspective: Our Lives & Our Land." 7:30PM-Dinner & Dessert Buffet. For reservations or info email Kollel office info@chicagotorah.org.