

**Dates
to
Remember**

Mon. Apr. 15
Trip to Shema
Koleinu
Grade 8

Wed., Apr. 17
Preschool Mock
Seders

Thurs. Apr. 18-
Wed. May 1
Pesach Vacation
No School

Thurs. May 9
Trip to JCM
Grade 3

Annual Schoolwide
Achievement Tests
will be administered
to students in
Grades 1-8
beginning Fri.
May 10 thru Fri.
May 17



D'var Torah —Parshat Tazria

A Jew mistakenly speaks Lashon Hora. Comments are exchanged regarding others, a wink, some rolled eyes at another Jew's expense. As he sinks deeper into the habit, the process of *tzaraas* begins. First his home, then his clothing is affected. The message is not received, and he continues his slanderous behavior, and the heavenly court delivers the final blow—he becomes a *metzora*. The humiliation is immense as he visits the Kohen for a diagnosis. The Kohen declares him a *metzora*, and he is sent outside the city. Like a mourner, he tears his garment and lets his hair grow wild. Like a veil, he pulls a garment over his mouth and calls out, “*tamei, tamei*” to warn others to stay away from him in his defiled state. The pain and embarrassment drive home the message that one cannot disparage others and cause strife and separation between people.

The Midrash Tanchuma comments that the source of pain here comes from a different source. He quotes a pasuk in Chavakuk, “Awesome and feared is he, but his judgment and punishment come from within.” Man is awesome, and yet when Hashem punishes him it emanates from within his own body—with *tzaraas*. Hashem is unlike flesh and blood rulers who use chains and whips from the outside to punish offenders. Hashem punishes man by having his own body turn against him.

On some level, the pasuk is teaching us a lesson regarding the majestic level of mankind. The crown glory of creation is man. When he is punished, this awareness makes it even more painful because it shows him that even with all his greatness, he can't even control his own body to prevent it from rebelling against him when he speaks Lashon Hora.

Can this stubborn, slanderous person still feel his inherent greatness? He sank so low that even the miraculous signs on his house and his clothing do not phase him. Shouldn't the immense embarrassment eclipse the extra pain of knowing his body is turning against him? It seems from the Chazal that even he is sensitive to his great stature. Even he can sense the degradation of his lofty stature.

YDH Family Shlissel Challah Bake



**THURSDAY
MAY 2ND, 2024
EVENT STARTS AT 6:30PM**

Join Us / Family Event

- ADULT (Lead Baker - 5lbs Flour) - \$36/per person
- KIDS (Assistants to the Lead Baker) - \$18/per person



CHALLAH MAKING BY SHOSHY FROM KNEAD DOUGH
EVENT MC'D BY RABBI MORDECHI SCHIFFMAN
ACAPELLA MUSIC BY NERYA COHEN DJ
RAFFLE PRIZE TICKETS - \$5/ONE OR \$25/SIX



Or click [here](#) to register

KINGSWAY JEWISH CENTER MAIN BALLROOM

Sponsorship Opportunities Available

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From Mrs. Malka Schmulowitz, Pre-School Director

So much has taken place over the last few weeks. Time might be flying, but we've been enjoying every moment. Our Purim workshops were enjoyed by students, teachers, and parents alike. What can be better than for a child to spend quality time with their parent(s) and for a parent to spend time with their child(ren)? The smiles on everyone's faces said it all! The workshops were meaningful, hands-on, and even delicious!

Pesach preparations are everywhere! Every class is busy compiling Haggadot, decorating bedikat chametz kits, Matzah covers, and afikomen bags, as well as beautifying kosot, pillowcases, and netilla towels. Each class is working towards experiencing a model Seder replete with everything enjoyed at a real Pesach Seder, including a delicious meal and yummy Pesach cookies.

Although we'll be wrapping the year up when we get back after Pesach, we'll be planning festivities for Yom Ha'atsmaut and Lag Ba'omer, as well as graduation celebrations to be enjoyed once again by all. Looking forward bez"H to seeing you then!

From the Desk of Mrs. Esther Madnick, Librarian

As the new YDH Librarian as of September 2023, I put my skills to task and tried my best to get the school library organized and into tip-top shape. I put a lot of books into categories, and it really helped to get all the boys interested in topics they like.

They all love, 'The Who Would Win Book Series', as well as 'My Wimpy Diary', Star Wars, animal and sports books. They are all sweet and well-behaved boys. I'm glad I'm getting a chance to get to know each and every one of them.

May we continue to encourage our students to enjoy library time - to come in, browse, and choose books to read at home at their leisure.

TRIP TO THE JCM GRADE 4



THE 2024 ECLIPSE AT YDH



"Talmid HaShavuah" - Shemini

Grade 1 — Pinchas Asnes

Grade 2 — Yonatan Berkovic

Grade 3 — Henoah Yakov Weisz

Grade 4 — Adam Cohen, Shmuel Alpin

Grade 5 — Eli Kohn

Grade 6 — Eliezer Yosef Abrams

Grade 7 — Michael Kurlander

Grade 8 — Zev Mikhli



“Student of the Week” - 4/1-4/5/24

Grade 1 — David Simcha Samet

Grade 2 — Judah Azizov

Grade 3 — Zachary Pavel

Grade 4 — Yosef Schiffman

Grade 6 — Yedidyah Tokayer (ELA), Jonah Fleischer (Math), Nesanel Kahan (Sci.), Keith Wasser (S.S.)

Grade 7 — Joey Ibrahim (ELA), Reuven Silber (Math), Yehuda Perles (Sci.), Jacob Akerman (S.S.)

Grade 8 — David Silber (ELA), Nethaniel Chakov (Math), Jacob Lederman (Sci.), Yonatan Stein (S.S.)

Congratulations!

YESHIVA DERECH HATORAH

PHYSICAL EDUCATION
Teacher: Mr. R. Weitz



"SPORTSMAN OF THE WEEK"
Week of 4/1-4/5/24

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>STUDENT</u>
3K - A	Lea Danesh
3K - D	Rivky Nussbaum
3K - F	Shana Brown
UPK - C	Ethan Schinazi
UPK - G	Nathaniel Auerbach
PRE-1A	Jeremy Gutman
FIRST	David Simcha Samet
SECOND	Jonathan Berkovic
THIRD	Hunter Weisz
FOURTH	Adam Cohen
FIFTH	Eliyahu Kohn
SIXTH	Dovi Leyton
SEVENTH	Mendy Postelnik
EIGHTH	Moshe Cohen



MAZEL TOV TO



Mrs. Sara Deutsch on the birth of a new granddaughter!!

Good News!!

We are starting a new 'Life-Cycle Page' to announce life-changing events happening in the YDH family!

Kindly submit all upcoming smachot and life-cycle events to Mrs. Kiwala at mkiwala@ydh.org by Wednesday morning of each week.

OUR EXCITING שלושה דברים לעם ישראל PROGRAM IS IN FULL SWING!!!!

Our boys are diligently learning extra Torah, davening extra, doing *chasadim*, filling out special cards and putting them into the three tubes pictured here (on the second floor). The tubes are very quickly filling up with all the *z'chutim* for *Am Yisroel*. We also have a 'Chayal of the Day' that we get to know, and to whom we dedicate our day's *z'chutim*. Grades 1-8 are really piling on the mitzvot; we look forward to them doing more and more!



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YDH PARNES HAYOM PROGRAM

Dear Parents,

The central theme of Yeshiva Derech HaTorah is the study of Torah. Each day that the Yeshiva is in session, our talmidim are engrossed in the study of Torah, each at their own level, from Pre-School through 12th Grade.

Yeshiva Derech HaTorah invites you to become an active participant in our daily Torah study by sponsoring a day, week, month or full year of learning. Sponsorships can be made in honor of an anniversary or birthday, for a *refuah shleimah* for someone in need, or to commemorate the *Yahrtzeit* of a loved one. The names for whom the day's learning is being sponsored will be posted in each classroom.

You can sponsor:

- A day of learning for \$72
- A week of learning for \$360
- A month of learning for \$720
- A year of learning for \$5000

For further information, please contact Joel Weisblum in the Financial Office. Your support will help to strengthen the study of Torah at Yeshiva Derech HaTorah.

Please tear off and send in to the Yeshiva Office.



YDH PARNES HAYOM DEDICATION

Name: _____

In Honor / Memory of: _____

Occasion: _____

Check Enclosed: _____

CREDIT CARD

Account Type: Visa MasterCard
 AMEX Discover

Cardholder Name _____

Account Number _____

Expiration Date _____ SCS _____

YESHIVA DERECH HATORAH PARENT ASSOCIATION

Dear Parents:

To facilitate the ordering of Chessed Dollars, we would appreciate your using this order form. It should be sent with your son or mailed back to Mrs. Sima Sabo (1st floor office), or you may email her at ssabo@ydh.org. We will have your order for next-day pick-up. Special orders may take up to a week.

Listed below are the gift certificates which are always available. Please indicate the amounts you are ordering next to each one. Payments by check (made payable to YDHWO) must be enclosed. If you are paying by cash, you must pay at time of receipt.

Thank you.

DERECH HATORAH WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION

CHESSED	\$ _____	
SHOPRITE	_____	
HOME DEPOT	_____	
OLD NAVY	_____	
BARNES & NOBLE	_____	
BLOOMINGDALES	_____	
MACYS	_____	
STOP & SHOP	_____	
SAKS 5TH AVENUE	_____	
STAMPS	_____	(SHEET OF 10 FOR \$6.60)
SPECIAL ORDER:		
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NAME _____ **CLASS** _____ **TEL. #** _____ **DATE** _____