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Monday, January 8-Friday, January 12
Midterms

Sunday, January 14- Sunday, January 21
Midwinter Vacation

Monday, January 22
School Resumes

Thursday, February 22- Sunday, Feb. 25
South Bend Convention for Grades 11-12

Sunday, March 10
PRODUCTION



ANNUAL MATCHING CAMPAIGN

A heartfelt thank you to all those who worked tirelessly to enable Bais Yaakov to reach its campaign goal. Although Mrs. Mayer and her team of devoted Bais Yaakov staff and volunteers enlisted the help of alumni, parents, and friends to act as ambassadors in their own homes and in gatherings in different cities around the world, it was in the Bais Yaakov building itself that the campaign's energy was centralized. It was at campaign headquarters, at 4509 Minnetonka Blvd, where the student body was split into three teams

that worked b'achdus to rally supporters of our beloved school to contribute for the main fundraiser of the year. After finally reaching our goal, the students watched the confetti fall on the campaign page with a sense of having accomplished this great feat through the collective effort of all those who are devoted to the mission of Bais Yaakov. They learned lessons of Achdus, lessons of giving, lessons of Yad Hashem, and lessons of creating goals and challenges that may seem insurmountable, but are within reach if one believes and acts with resilience. It was a lesson in Rising Upwards.



11TH-12TH GRADE SHABBOS REPORT

Yasher Koach to the 11th and 12th graders for successfully completing Section Three of their Shabbos Report! They are officially on to section Four.

The girls will choose two Tefilos found specifically in Shabbos Davening and explore those Tefilos in depth. They will research who wrote each Tefila and why it was inserted into the Shabbos davening. They will translate the Tefillos, explain them in their own words, find the main messages of the Tefilos and delve deeply into the concepts highlighted in the Tefilos.

The girls are working hard and continue to impress us with the depth of their research and knowledge! We are so proud of how far they have come, and we hope to continue learning and growing throughout the year!

Many thanks to Miss Heather Nussbaum for spearheading the Shabbos Report.

GEDOLIM PROJECT

The 9-12th graders took their test on the first five Gedolim that the 10th graders presented. For their test, they had to know where each Gadol lived, his primary contribution to Klal Yisroel, and a list of facts about the Gadol's life. Baruch Hashem the girls outdid themselves, and performed beautifully on their tests! Yasher Koach to each girl!

The next set of Gedolim will be researched and presented by the 11th and 12th graders, again from the same era of the early 1900s to World War II. We can't wait to see the beautiful reports they compile, and the girls are eager to learn about the crucial Gedolim in our recent history!

Thank you so much to Mrs. Kaufman for heading this project!



Iyun Tefilla

Miss Devora Cohen

In Iyun Tefila class the girls are provided with thought provoking questions on the Tefilos we say every day. The goal is to take those Tefilos said by rote and to transform them to something more special. Each class begins with a quote that the girls write in their quote notebooks. After the lesson is finished, the girls are given small stickers with a summary of the Tefila learned in order to aid in the Kavana while davening. This helps to uplift our davening and IY"YH to take it to a higher level.



11th Grade U.S. History

Mrs. Ruchama Leah Berkowitz

The 11th graders have been very busy in recent weeks! Besides finishing up a chapter on the divisive politics leading up to the Civil War, they worked long and hard on some very well-researched and creative presentations on the lingering effects the war has had on the U.S.A. The girls also began Unit 1 of the Newsbooks program where they learn how to read and comprehend news articles in different ways. They also began a new chapter on immigration which they kicked off with a project on Irish immigration, presenting three personal perspectives based on primary resources from that period. Every day is an exciting day in U.S. History class!



Alumni Melava Malka

Local alumni of BYTC got together on Motzoei Shabbos, Parshas Vayigash for an evening of inspiration and camaraderie at the home of Mrs. Etty (Kutoff) Danziger. They enjoyed a delectable melava malka, heard words of chizuk from Mrs. Suri Gibber, Mrs. Sari Waxman, and Mrs. Tzipora Leah (Roberts) Kalatsky, and played a game which jogged their memories of their high school years. They discussed the formation of the Bais Yaakov Alumni Association and what their vision of the Alumni Association would be.

What a treat it was to spend time together, look at old Bais Yaakov albums, and just schmooze. Many thanks to Ety Danziger and Shoshie Rubin for serving as heads of the melava malka. Many thanks to Ety Danziger and Gittel Deitel for serving as heads of the new Bais Yaakov Alumni Association.



I Own It

Mrs. Aviva Crystal, I Own It Advisor

I Own It girls are truly owning themselves and what they do,
By rising upward with challenges and kabbalos too.
On Friday for Phase Three they got to show what they know,
About kavod habrios and how this does show.
Multiple-choice questions with a color for every one,
Stick a jelly bean on your skewer for each question done,
The colorful creations showing answers that are right,
Along with knowledge and smiles to bring in more light.
Starting Phase Four - keep up the amazing power,
You become something great each and every hour.

Thank you to I Own It coordinator, Miss Brochi Spar, and I Own It heads, Yael Ghermezian, Sarah Idstein, and Sarala Mayer.

CHESED SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Chessed presented a workshop about prioritizing our time, titled "Putting the Big Rocks in First". BYTC'ers lead very busy lives! We pressed the pause button to think about "the big rocks" (absolute priorities-related to core values), "the pebbles" (important things that have to get done), and "the sand" (worthwhile/meaningful extras). If we want to fit them all in, which ones should we put in first? We watched a brief video depicting this powerful analogy. Then each student identified a short list of the "rocks", "pebbles" and "sand" that fill her time. This was followed by a lively group discussion. Thank you to our fabulous workshop facilitators: Mrs. Fertel, Mrs. Mintz, Mrs. Neuberger, and Mrs. Rothstein. Thank you to our Chessed Workshop Coordinator, Mrs. Sari Waxman. Thank you to our Chessed Heads, Sarah Leah Goldberg, Dena Kupfer, Sarah Leah Schulman.

MISHMERES LUNCH

Rena Mandelbaum, Chaya Prero, and Esty Shertok,

Mishmeres had our second event this past week where we finished off our Navy theme! In our previous activities, we focused on the Navy and Coast Guard and all their different jobs and responsibilities, and on Thursday, we discussed lighthouses and how they guide ships back home during storms. We compared this to how we all need to find our individual lighthouses when we are having troubles, especially in Shmiras Halashon! We enjoyed delicious sushi bowls and played a life size matching game featuring so many fun prizes! We hope this activity will give us renewed Chizzuk to guard our tongues and stay vigilant about Shmiras Halashon!

BIG SISTER-LITTLE SISTER LUNCH

Batsheva Fried, Ariella Greenberg, Rochel Spiro

The Big Sisters bonded with their little sisters this past Tuesday for our Big Sister - Little Sister lunch. We had a delicious pasta bar and the sisters got to know each other with a fun game of Sisters! The Big Sisters were challenged with questions about their Little SisterS to see how well they know each other. A huge thanks goes to everyone who helped out. Thank you to Mrs. Fertel for always being there for us when we need help.



Mazel Tov to our Alumni

- Abby Portnoy on her marriage to Eli Hirsch. Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Alex Portnoy and to the entire mishpacha.
- Rabbi and Mrs. Meir and Rivkah (Rabinowitz) Greenspan on the birth of a girl.
- Mr and Mrs. Naftoli and Gittel (Weinberg) Deitel on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Tzvi.
- Mazel tov to the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Chaim Eliyahu Weinberg, the great-grandmother Mrs. Debbie Weinberg, and the entire Mishpacha!
- Mr. and Mrs. Elya and Tzippy (Silverberg) Zafrany on the birth of a baby boy. Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Aryeh Leib Silverberg, Rabbi and Mrs. Ephraim Silverberg, and the entire mishpacha.

Mazel Tov to our Faculty

- Rabbi and Mrs. Moshe Spiro on the marriage of Rabbi Spiro's brother. Mazel tov to Rochel and Shaindy and the entire Mishpacha!
- Rabbi and Mrs. Shlomo Rothstein on the marriage of Mrs. Rothstein's brother. Mazel Tov to the entire mishpacha.
- Rabbi and Mrs. Yaakov Kaufman on the marriage of Mrs. Kaufman's sister. Mazel Tov to the entire mishpacha.

Mazel Tov to our Bais Yaakov Family

- Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Kutoff on the birth of a granddaughter. Mazel tov to the entire Mishpacha!

Nichum Aveilim

The Bais Yaakov family extends its heartfelt condolences to Mrs. Wendy Runge on the loss of her dear mother. *Hamokom yenachem eschem besoch sheor aveilei Tzion VeYerushalayim.*

HAVE A WONDERFUL VACATION!

*We look forward to seeing you again on
Monday, January 22*

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