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Luach

Friday, January 3

Candle Lighting Time: 4:12 PM

Shabbos, January 4

Shabbos Parshas Vayigash

Sof Z'man Kriyas Shema: 9:37 AM

Upcoming Events

Monday, January 6

Boys Student Ambassador Meeting 4:15

Tuesday, January 7

Asara B'Teves Fast Day—School in Session

7-8B & 6-8G 2:00 Dismissal (parent p/u)

Thursday, January 9

Girls Student Ambassador Meeting 4:15

Looking forward to seeing our 4th-8th Grade Bous and their Guests this Sunday at the M'dor L'Dor Mishnayos Learning Event!

HOT LUNCHES:

Monday, Jan. 6 BBQ Chicken Tuesday, Jan. 7 Pizza Wednesday, Jan. 8 Hot Dog

Thursday, Jan. 9 Mac & Cheese

Mother-Daughter Science Fun News

Over 150 Arie Crown mothers, grandmothers, daughters and granddaughters joined Walder Science on December 11 for a fantastic Mother-Daughter event exploring the chemistry of bubbles and gases. They explored the amazing qualities of soap and water such as polarity and surface tension that give bubbles their elasticity and spherical shape. They also learned how to blow bubbles within bubbles and keep bubbles from popping, created unique dry ice bubbles, observed methane gas bubbles go up in flames right in the scientist's hands, and so much more!



On Thursday of Chanukah, our 1st-8th grade boys followed by 1st-8th grade girls enjoyed a special Chanukah Rikkud featuring Rabbi Yechiel Pisem of Mesamchei Lev Orchestra











































8th Grade News

By Yael Garden and Eliana Isenberg

This past week we had our Annual Chanukah boutique. We were able to sell many items for the girls to give their families in honor of Chanukah. Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Abie Gutnicki, Mr. and Mrs. David Porush, Mr. and Mrs. Dudi Berkowitz, and Mr. and Mrs. Ilya Shulman for your very generous donation towards this event. Thank you also to our amazing students who purchased items. All proceeds go to tzedakah. This week we also had another fabulous program for our big sister—little sister program. The girls were very lucky to decorate picture frames with pictures of themselves inside in honor of Chanukah, which the 3rd graders got to take home. We have been continuing our wonderful Erev Shabbos program. We were very fortunate to have had a beautiful Kumzits and learn about the Melacha of the week, which was demonstrated by our teachers in a skit. Thank you again to Mrs. Jaffe for creating the skit. Have a good Shabbos!

2nd Grade News

By Mrs. Abrams

Last week in Mrs. Abrams's 2nd grade class, we celebrated Chanukah with 2 special activities. First, the class participated in our second STEM challenge of the year. Stem is an acronym for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. For this STEM challenge, the girls were grouped into teams and had to make a dreidel that could spin made only out of the provided materials. The girls were able to use problem solving and critical thinking to come up with a solution to the challenge. The second activity was math centers with a Chanukah theme. Each center reviewed a skill that we





have already learned in 2nd grade. They did a great job with both the STEM challenge and math centers and learned a lot while also enjoying special activities





Chanukah Carnival for Grades K-2

By Mrs. Matanky

"To Jelly or Not to Jelly" - That is the question. Actually, it wasn't the question, but, the name of one of our Chanukah booths! On Monday, the last day of Chanukah, the Kindergartens, First Grades and Second Grades all participated in our annual Chanukah carnival put together by Morah Matanky. The Yeladim were able to spin dreidels, "fry latkes", bowl down the

"Greeks", pin the "Shamesh" on the Menorah, play "Bozo" Chanukah buckets, guess how many chocolate coins, discover the "miracle" of Chanukah, get the oil to the "Bais HaMikdash" in time, find Yehudit's cheese, pick the special "candle", and much more. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed their prizes of Chanukah stickers, Chanukah gelt (pennies), and a lollypop.

Thank you to:

Akiva Isenberg, Adira Isenberg, Moshe Kirshner, Baila

Kirshner, and Rabbi Kirshner who came to school on Sunday to help set up.

Rabbi Cohen's, Rabbi Goykhman's, and Rabbi Neuberger's eighth grade boys who ran the booths and were so amazing with the younger students. Thank you also for helping to clean up.

Mrs. Goldwag for picking up the pennies.

Martin and Jaime for setting up the tables and for setting up the Bais Medrash for the Minyan so the carnival could be in the gym.

Morah Ahuvah for helping to cut out and put the carnival tickets into zip-loc bags for each student.

Morah Richtman for helping to clean up and organize after the carnival was over.

Finally, thank you to the Administration for allowing us to continue with this enjoyable program every year.

There were 315 chocolate coins in the "Guess How Many Chocolate Coins" game. Ariella Safirstein in Morah Steinfeld's 1G class who guessed 320 and Eyli Sova in Morah Cziment's class who guessed 310 were the joint winners. Each of their classes received half the coins and will continue to enjoy them for awhile. Looking forward already to next Chanukah!



































MIDDOS MATTER CORNER



Arie Crown's Middos Matter school-wide initiative is continuing strong! "Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe" is our theme.

Overheard: Second Grader as his teacher was giving him a token.... "Every school in the entire world should do Middos Matter!"

* * * * * MIDDOS MATTER ALL STARS!! * * * *

As part of our new Middos Matter program, teachers have been writing Middos Matter tokens for students showing off their Respectful, Responsible and Safe behaviors around school. Every week, we randomly select 10 students from the All Stars to see Rabbi Samber and receive a small prize. Congratulations to last week's winners!

We collected sooooo many Matter tickets this year already! WOW!



DAY OF LEARNING

Tuesday's learning, December 24—26 Kislev, is dedicated as a zechus for a refuah shlaimah for **Ahava Rivkah bat Yehudit Elisha**.

Thank you to Mark and Cathy Campbell for sponsoring Tuesday's learning, December 31—3 Teves, in loving memory of Eitan Hillel Campbell, a"h.

To sponsor a day or week of learning, please contact Sam Medow in the Business Office. Thank you.

GIVE/GET OPPORTUNITIES



PTA is looking for an ECC drop off helper on Thursday mornings, 8:15-8:30 a.m. at the Early Childhood Campus until the end of the year.

We are also looking for a couple of traffic and safety volunteers to help at the main campus in the mornings 8:10-8:30am to help direct traffic and to make sure students enter school safely.

If you are interested please email pta@ariecrown.org.

ATT POGRUND FAMILY JUDAIC ARTWORK AND ESSAY CONTESTS





Attention ATT students in Grades 3-12! Less than 4 weeks left to participate in the ATT's Pogrund Family Judaic Artwork and Essay Contests. Deadline for artwork/essay submission is Thursday, 1/30/2020, by 5:00pm. Sponsored by the Pogrund Family, the contest provides students the opportunity to demonstrate their creativity, ability to research Jewish topics, and express themselves through writing/art. For more information and to see Judaic Artwork and Essay Contest Rules, visit https://www.att.org/student-contests/ or call 773-973-2828.

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

Births

*Mr. and Mrs. Alan and Jodi Gershman on the birth of their grandson, born to Mr. and Mrs. Yosef and Elka (class of '09) Kirschner.

*Mr. and Mrs. Morris and Malka Loterstein on the birth of their granddaughter, born to Mr. and Mrs. Aaron (class of '00) and Rachel Loterstein.

*Rabbi and Mrs. Elisha and Miriam Prero on the birth of their granddaughter, born to Mr. and Mrs. Noah and Ayelet (class of '07) Isaacs. Mazal Tov to the greatgrandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur and Sally Dordek.

Engagements/Marriages

*Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan and Debbie Jedd on the engagement of their daughter.

Bar/Bas Mitzvahs

*Mrs. Esther Levin on the Bar Mitzvah of her grandson, Eliyahu Meir, son of Rabbi and Mrs. Yitzchok Zev Levin.

The Arie Crown Family would like to express condolences to:

*Mrs. Elana Dubovick on the loss of her mother, Mrs. Sora Rochel Cohen, a"h.

*Mrs. Muriel Finkel, Mr. Norman Finkel, Dr. Phillip Finkel, and Dr. Calvin Finkel on the loss of their husband and father, Bernard "Bernie" Finkel, a"h.

Hamakom Yenachem Eschem B'soch Sh'ar
Aveili Tzion V'Yerushalayim

Community Announcements

Snacks2go is your one-stop shop for all your servingsize snacks! We carry a full line of Wise, Herr's, Jays, and Krunchers! Pretzels too! Check out all our choices at www.snacks2gokosher.com!! Happy Kids=Happy Moms!!

Looking for a playgroup for your two year old? At Little Grownups we boast a beautiful facility, with centers such as dramatic play, sensory, manipulatives, quiet corner, blocks and trucks, and writing and art. Plus an outdoor playground and a heated indoor biking area. Registration is open for year 2020-2021. To get a tour or to register call Estie Wolf @ 917-324-2356. Based on the Arie Crown school calendar.

Walder Science Center invites students in grades 4-8 to join great After School Programs: Mon–Thu 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. On Mon & Wed girls will have a blast studying chemical reactions & making their own glow sticks, plastic, spy ink, & more! Boys will explore topics in biology, aviation, botany, build airplanes, design their own aquatic tanks & environments, & more! Our Tue & Thu groups will experiment with cutting-edge skills of Robotics & Coding, now revolutionizing technology, medicine, & education. Separate classes for boys & girls. New sessions begin January 6. Sign up/info: www.walderlab.org, 773-649-5360, programs@walderlab.org.

IMPORTANT NOTICE. THE BNOS "SONG SPECTACULAR" SCHEDULED FOR THIS MOTZA'EI SHABBOS IS NOW SCHEDULED FOR: GRADES 4-6. MOTZA'EI SHABBOS, FEBRUARY 15, 7:30-9:00 AND FOR GRADES 1-3 SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 4:00 - 5:30. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGES.

Join Young Israel of Skokie for a cooking demonstration by Chicago's own Sharon Matten author of the popular cook book SHABBOS UNDER PRESSURE. Sunday, January 19, 2020. 8746 East Prairie Road, Skokie. Doors open at 7 p.m. Demonstration begins at 7:30 p.m. We will be raffling off 3 pressure cookers at the end of the evening. Admission is \$36 per person which includes a cookbook and a raffle ticket. For more information please contact morahtami1211@yahoo.com.

This Sunday, January 5th 2-4pm- Halfway to Summer at Bernard Horwich JCC! Visit with camp friends, meet our new camp director, projects, sports, gymnastics and freeze pops! Girls swim 2-3 p.m., boys swim 3-4 p.m. This is a free event! For more info: https://www.jccchicago.org/event/halfway-to-summer-rogers-park/

La'briut is a peer support group for Jewish women with mental health challenges, as well as for those caring for family members with such challenges. We will be hosting our next event on Monday January 13th at the home of Heidi Ida 3043 W. Jerome on the topic of Exploring the Dynamic Of Stigma From a Joint Perspective. Doors open at 8pm. Program begins at 8:15pm. Program consists of a panel discussion featuring Ethel Bartky, M.S. LMFT, Rivkie Perman and Edie Freimark as they discuss how stigma relates to each of them in their lives. This panel will be represented by a mental health professional, a family member caring for someone with mental illness and a woman struggling with mental illness herself. For more information call 773-234-5281. \$5 suggested donation. Refreshments will be served.

Parshas Vavigash 6 Teves 5780 January 3, 2020



ידיעות קטנות Yediot K'taNote Pre Nursery Nursery Kindergarten

EC Calendar

<u>Friday, Jan. 17-</u> <u>Sunday, Jan. 26</u> No School-Winter Break

Shoshana Safirstein
Early Childhood Director
ssafirstein@ariecrown.org



Nursery Art with Morah Rifi Bleichman

Artist: Claude Monet **Painting:** 'Water Lillies'

Materials used: Water colors and oil pastels











Pre-Nursery yeladim celebrate the 8th day of Chanukah!

Enjoying fun activities, including cleaning the Beis HaMikdash, searching for the shemen zayis, and having a delicious Chanukah picnic!



















SPRING HOT LUNCH ONLINE ORDERING

<u>Lunch dates:</u> January 27, 2020 – June 9, 2020 <u>Order Deadline:</u> **Sunday, January 12th, MIDNIGHT**

Welcome to our Spring Hot Lunch Sign-Up!

Hot lunch will be served 3 days a week: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. ACHDS student council will be offering their Tel Aviv pizza lunch fundraiser every Tuesday as well. This is the single sign-up for both programs, and the final sign-up this school year.

Food from this year's hot lunch program is provided by Starr Kosher Catering. Each meal costs \$4.35 and includes a small, 8 oz. water bottle. Each day, except Monday, has two alternating menus. Please note that sign up is by the day and choosing the day means your child will receive both menu items. For example, if you sign up your child for the Wednesday lunch option, your child will receive lunch on days when hot dogs are served and on days when pasta with meat sauce is served.

Sign up information

The deadline for sign up is Sunday, January 12th at MIDNIGHT. No orders will be accepted after that time. This sign up is for lunches served from January 27, 2020 through June 9, 2020, and is the only time to sign up. Please make every effort to choose the correct grade for each student and double check your order before submitting to ensure that your child receives lunch. PLEASE NOTE: YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO ENTER YOUR FAMILY ID # (LISTED IN THE EMAIL). IF YOU DO NOT ENTER THE CORRECT NUMBER, YOUR PAYMENT WILL NOT BE APPLIED PROPERLY TO YOUR ACCOUNT.

Please note the following:

- There will be no extra lunches for students who have not signed up online.
- If you do not receive a confirmation email, your order did NOT go through.

Payment options:

- 1. Pay in full with credit card today using the online form.
- 2. Pay in 5 equal monthly installments from your bank account or credit card on file from February 10, 2020-June 10, 2020.

If you choose the monthly option and do not have an account on file that was used to pay for the fall hot lunch session, or you wish to pay with a different bank account or credit card, please contact emashiach@ariecrown.org or call (847) 982-9191, x608 before January 16th to ensure participation in the program. Please note that credit card payment in full, monthly payments by electronic withdrawal, or monthly credit card payments are the only payment options offered at this time. We cannot accept checks or check payments sent from your bank.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Chicken Fingers Rice Caesar Salad Seasonal Fruit 8 oz. water bottle DATES: 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/24, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 6/1, 6/8	Student Council Fundraiser Day Tel Aviv Pizza – 1 or 2 slices Chips 8 oz. water bottle DATES: 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 2/25, 3/3, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31, 4/21, 4/28, 5/5, 5/19, 5/26, 6/2, 6/9	New! Pasta and Meat Sauce Roasted Potato Spears Pickle Seasonal Fruit 8 oz. water bottle DATES: 2/5, 2/19, 3/4, 3/18, 4/1, 4/29, 5/13, 5/27 Hot Dog and bun Roasted Potato Spears Pickle Seasonal Fruit 8 oz. water bottle DATES: 1/29, 2/12, 2/26, 3/11, 3/25, 4/22, 5/6, 5/20, 6/3	New! Baked Potato w/ shredded cheese Bread stick Carrot or celery sticks Seasonal Fruit 8 oz. water bottle DATES: 1/30, 2/13, 2/27, 3/12, 3/26, 4/23, 5/7, 5/21 Macaroni and Cheese Bread stick Carrot or celery sticks Seasonal Fruit 8 oz. water bottle DATES: 2/6, 2/20, 3/5, 3/19, 4/2, 4/30, 5/14, 6/4
TOTAL for all 16 meals: \$69.60	TOTAL for all 16 meals: \$69.60 Additional slice: + \$28.00	TOTAL for all 17 meals: \$73.95	TOTAL for all 16 meals: \$69.60

January 2020

Main Calendar

Compact Mode

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 8th Night Chanukah → No School - Shabbos Chanukah Rosh Chodesh Teves - Day 2	30 Chicken Fingers Lunch 9:15a 8G, Erev Shira Assembly	31 Pizza Lunch	1 No School - New Years	2 Baked Ziti Lunch	3 4:12p Candle Lighting Time	4 Shabbos Parshas Vayigash 9:37a Sof Z'man Kriyas Shema
5	6 BBQ Chicken Lunch 4:15p Boys Student Ambassador meeting (Library)	7 Asarah B'Teves Fast Day – School in Session; 7-8B& 6-8G – 2:00 PM Dismissal Pizza Lunch	8 Hot Dog Lunch	9 Mac & Cheese Lunch 4:15p Girls Student Ambassador Meeting	10 4:19p Candle Lighting Time	11 Shabbos Parshas Vayechi 9:38a Sof Z'man Kriyas Shema
12 6:30p Chez Crown	13 Chicken Fingers Lunch	14 4G Shiras Devorah Pizza Lunch	15 Hamburger Lunch 10:00a Baking with Bubby at ECC	16 Baked Ziti Lunch	17 No School - Winter Vacation 4:27p Candle Lighting Time	18 → No School - Winter Vacation Shabbos Parshas Shemos 9:38a Sof Z'man Kriyas Shema
19 → No School - Winter Vacation	20 → No School - Winter Vacation	21 → No School - Winter Vacation	22 → No School - Winter Vacation	23 → No School - Winter Vacation	24 → No School - Winter Vacation 4:35p Candle Lighting Time	25 → No School - Winter Vacation Shabbos Parshas Va'eira; Shabbos Mevorchim 9:37a Sof Z'man Kriyas Shema
26 → No School - Winter Vacation	27 Chicken Fingers Lunch Rosh Chodesh Shevat	28 Pizza Lunch	29 Hot Dog Lunch	30 Baked Potato Lunch	31 4:44p Candle Lighting Time	1 Shabbos Parshas Bo 9:34a Sof Z'man Kriyas Shema

http://www.ariecrown.org, 4600 Main St., Skokie, IL 60076, Phone: (847) 982-9191 | Fax: (847) 982-9525

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was awarded to schools represented AT THE 2019 EVENT

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was awarded on average to scholarship recipients who applied AT THE 2019 EVENT

765

scholarships were awarded to children whose parents applied AT THE 2019 EVENT

85%

of Jewish school scholarships were awarded to applicants AT THE 2019 EVENT

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The 2020 T
Application Event

JANUARY 14-15, 2020





The Associated Talmud Torahs

PROUDLY ANNOUNCES 2019-2020

Pogrund Family Essay Contest

Pogrund Family Judaic Artwork Contest

GOALS

- To encourage students to do research in their preferred Judaic area of interest for written essay or on a chag for artwork
- To explain the relevance of Torah/chag to all aspects of life
- To allow students the opportunity of strengthening their commitment to Judaism through writing and/or art
- To provide a platform for students to express their creativity using writing/art

GUIDELINES

- Maximum # of Entries: 1 Pogrund Family Judaic Artwork entry and 1 Pogrund Family Essay entry per student
- Written Essays may be submitted by: MAIL: 3531 Madison Street, Skokie, IL 60076 EMAIL: pogrundessayart@att.org ONLINE: Go to http://www2.att.org/Pogrund-Family-Essay-Contest-Rules-1
- Artwork should be hand delivered to the ATT at 3531 Madison Street, Skokie, IL 60076

SEE CONTEST RULES:

- ☆ Pogrund Family Essay Rules: Visit http://www2.att.org/Pogrund-Family-Essay-Contest-Rules-1
- ☆ Pogrund Family Judaic Artwork Rules: Visit http://www2.att.org/pogrund-family-judaicartwork-contest-rules

For more information, http://www2.att.org/news-announcements-1?aid=240 or call the ATT office: 773-973-2828

Deadline:

Thursday, January 30, 2020, by 5:00 p.m.





FOR YOUR TEACHERS. FOR YOUR CHILDREN.



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