

LUACH

FRIDAY, SEPT. 19 Candlelighting Time: 6:32 PM

SHABBOS, SEPT. 6
Parshas Ki Seitzei

THURSDAY, SEPT. 25 Tzom Gedalya

UPCOMING EVENTS

MONDAY, SEPT. 22 -WEDNESDAY - SEPT. 24 No School - Rosh Hashana

THURSDAY - SEPT. 25Tzom Gedalya - 6th-8th Grade
Early Dismissal

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 1-THURSDAY, OCT. 2 No School - Yom Kippur FRIDAY, OCT. 3
School Resumes

SUNDAY, OCT. 5 -THURSDAY - OCT. 16 No School - Sukkos

FRIDAY, OCT. 17 School Resumes

HOT LUNCH

Friday, Sept. 26: Pizza

Monday, Sept. 29: Deli Wrap

Tuesday, Sept. 30: Bagel with Spread

Friday, Oct. 3: Pizza

Boys' Division News



4th-8th grade boys Erev Shabbos Kumzitz!





The first grade boys in Mrs. Aberman's library class had a lot of fun playing board games after they were done reading and checking out books to bring home.



Morah Zytman's second grade learning the Simanim and practicing the יהי רצון. Each boy had the opportunity to choose his 3 favorite colors of clay to work with and create the מים from his own imagination.

This activity brought the lesson to real life.









5TH GRADE

Rabbi Schwarcz's class learning B'chavrusa shteiging away while reviewing Mishnayos Megillah.







1ST & 2ND GRADE

The 1st and 2nd grade boys were so excited to have donuts as their prize for signing up for Tech in Check!



















EMUNAH THROUGH ART In Perek Shira, it says that the Shamayim—the heavens—tell the story of Hashem's glory. But how can the heavens "speak"? Rashi explains that they don't use words like people do. Instead, they "speak" through what they do—by shining their light, giving warmth, and showing the world Hashem's power and kindness.

But the heavens can't fully praise Hashem on their own. That's where we come in. When we look at the sky, the sun, the stars, and we say, "This is Hashem's creation," we turn nature's beauty into words of praise. Our words of thanks and praise let nature sing its song to Hashem.





In Tehilim Perek Alef, Dovid HaMelech teaches us that life is about choices. A person who stays away from bad influences and instead spends time learning Torah, living with a Torah mindset, becomes strong inside, like a tree with deep roots that always has water and grows good fruit. Ashrei Halsh (happy is the man)!







The therapy dogs from Paws for Patrick came to visit and spend time with our 2nd grade girls this week!







PARSHAS NITZAVIM 26 ELUL 5785 SEPT. 19, 2025



This week in Mrs. Schur's class we learned that we should not speak or listen to Lashon Hara. In Miss Feldman's class we learned how to daven on Rosh Hashana and made bookmarks for the pages. In Mrs. Turoff's class we did the same thing but we also highlighted some words. In Mrs. Spiliopoulous's class we had fun learning Math and Science. In Mrs. Kalish's class we learned how the Viking's came to America and we also did a lot of writing.

By: Mazi Bleichman and Dani DeAngelis

ZIRA G. RAY PTA I

We wanted to send a big thank you to the Running Club committee, Sharon Goldman, Taya Grilli, Ayelet Kleinman, and Sarah Kleinman, for all the hard work they have put in already to making the Running Club a huge success this year!

Other PTA news:

- Give the gift of literacy! Check out the Donate-a-Book program on the school website Donate a Book

 Arie Crown Hebrew Day School. You can honor the occasion of an exciting new school year and help
 the Hebrew and English libraries grow! Keep this program in mind to celebrate birthdays and other
 events as well. Thank you to Hally Goldstein and Simcha Cohen for running this committee! Please
 feel free to reach out to the PTA at pta@ariecrown.org with further questions.
- Give Back to Arie Crown Days This is an exciting new program led by Suri Ninio and Ariella Loew.
 Each month, we'll be spotlighting a different kosher shop in our community. During the designated dates, a portion of the proceeds from purchases made by Arie Crown parents will be donated directly to the PTA fund. It's a delicious way to give back. See flyer in this week's Yediot for more information.
- Tzedakah Drive- the annual Zira G. Ray PTA Tzedakah Drive will be taking place from September 15th-October 20th. The Tzedakah Drive will be open and accessible on the Arie Crown website. See flyer in this week's Yediot for more information.

By Lani Kahn, Shira Ninio and Avi Levinson









PRE-NURSERY

Our first couple of weeks of school in the Peach Room have been smooth as the Yeladim have begun to learn our Pre-Nursery routines. Our arrival time routine focuses on helping the Yeladim with their emerging independence, and they have been getting good at it! They have been getting to know one another and forming friendships.

Our Peachy Peaches tasted apples and then graphed the results; made apple prints with paint - finding the "star" inside; painted with apples; painted using a teabag; and sang many Rosh Hashana songs and much much more!!

Rosh Hashana Prep is in full swing In The Peach Room! 🍑

Wishing you and your family a Shana Tova and a Happy Sweet New Year!!!!!!!!! 🍎 🍑 💆 🌠







STAY & PLAY

This week in Gold Stay and Play we read, <u>The Rainbow Fish</u>. We discussed how sharing with our friends makes both our friends and us happy! We did a lot of friendship activities this week that included making our friends friendship bracelets. We went up to our friends and asked them what colors they like and made the bracelets for THEM to enjoy! We also conducted a walking rainbow science experiment where the Yeladim dropped food coloring into milk and we put a soap filled fish into the milk and watched as the colors all scattered! We loved working together to build a classroom rainbow fish!



KINDERGARTEN

The Kindergarten Yeladim had a very busy week learning about Rosh Hashana. One of the highlights of our week was a visit from the Shofar Factory. Rabbi Schanowitz showed us the different animals a Shofar can be made from. It was a fascinating lesson. The children made a beautiful Choveret with all the Simanim for Rosh Hashana. We prepared and played a game called Ma Chaser to review all that we learned about the Yom Tov. The Yeladim prepared a gorgeous honey dish to use at the Yom Tov table. We learned about oxidation with a very interesting science experiment. We took some apple slices and placed them in various liquids. The Yeladim made predictions about how they thought the apple would be affected by the liquid. The next day we took the apples out of the liquid to see if our predictions were accurate. Wishing you all a Shana Tova U'Metuka!









KINDERGARTEN

This week in Kindergarten, we focused on the letter "T" in Jolly Phonics, and what better way to celebrate than with Teddy Bear Day! The kids had a blast bringing in their teddy bears from home, introducing them to the class, and sharing fun stories. In math, we used bear-counter manipulatives to explore patterns and even took part in a Teddy Bear STEM challenge. The students worked in small groups to build bridges using cups and popsicle sticks, all while trying to get 20 bears safely across "the water." We wrapped up the letter T by learning to play tic-tac-toe with the shapes we've learned: circle, square, rectangle, triangle, and hexagon. We all had so much fun!























ידילות התורה

Submitted by Rabbi Chaim Sherman, 7th grade Rebbi, member Kollel Mechanchim Ateres Avraham

Ki Karov Eilecha HaDavar Me'od B'ficha Uvilvavcha La'asoso (Devarim 30:14)

In this week's Parsha, we read a powerful Pasuk: "For this matter is very near to you, in your mouth and in your heart, to do it." Some Rishonim connect this "matter" to the concept of Teshuvah, or repentance. This seems puzzling. We often view Teshuva as a difficult, even daunting, task. So how can the Pasuk say it's right there, so near, and ready to be done in our mouth and heart? The only reason it seems so difficult to us is the "power of habit"—the pull of simply keeping things as they are. Our Yetzer Hara convinces us that change is hard and that we should just keep doing what we're doing, without introspection.

However, the truth is that the path to Teshuvah is not a fearful one. If we just take the time to stop and think, we'll realize there's nothing to fear in changing ourselves to become closer to Hashem. It's actually very near and easily accessible. The Pasuk tells us that the potential for change is already within us. All we need to do is press the "up" button, and Hashem is ready to send an express elevator to take us higher and closer to Him, Ki Karov Eilecha Ha'Davar Me'od—because the matter is very near to you!

THE ARIE CROWN FAMILY WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND A MAZER TON TO:

Births:

*Our beloved Rebbe, Rabbi and Mrs. Auriel Chamoulian on the birth of a daughter.

*Mr. and Mrs. Ari (class of '13) and Esti Merzel on the birth of a son. Mazel Tov to the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. David (class of '81) and Ellie Merzel and to the great-grandparents, Mrs. Sharon Merzel and Rabbi and Mrs. Moshe and Edith Petegorsky.

Bar/Bas Mitzvahs:

*Mr. and Mrs. Moshe and Esty Wexler on the Bas Mitzvah of their daughter, Heidi.

*Dr. and Mrs. Alexey and Yuliya Grinin on the Bas Mitzvah of their daughter, Judith. Mazel Tov to the grandparents, Mr. Evgeny Grinin and Mrs. Nataliya Biryukova.

* Rabbi and Mrs. Shmuel and Sori Estersohn on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Aryeh. Mazel Tov to the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gary and Adina Estersohn and Mr. and Mrs. Yitzchok and Andrea Lesser.

Engagements/Marriages:

*Rabbi and Mrs. Noson and our beloved Morah, Elana Dubovick on the engagement of their daughter, Batsheva (class of '18). Mazel Tov to the grandparents, Rabbi and Mrs. Dov Dubovick.

* Mr. and Mrs. Mordechai and Mindy Lebovics on the engagement of their daughter, Gitty (class of '19) to Gedalya Aeder. Mazel Tov to the grandparents, Rabbi and Mrs. Yehuda and Chaya Lebovics.

*Mr. and Mrs. Oron and Judy (class of '88) Domsky on the engagement of their son, Gavi (class of '16) to Riki Smith. Mazel Tov to the grandmother, Mrs. Marilyn Domsky and Mrs. Rita Horovicz.

COMMUNITY announcements

*MAZEL TOV to Joe Sharp (class of '92) on the completion of SHAS. May you continue to have simcha, nachas, bracha, and hatzlacha in all of your endeavors. We are so proud of you! ---Your family

*Strengthen Torah Education With Kehillah Fund In 5786

Through the power of achdus, Kehillah Fund strengthens Torah education for Chicago's Orthodox community. We unite our kehillah's resources to ensure every Jewish child can access an excellent Torah-based education, securing the Jewish future one school, one classroom, and one child at a time.

For over 20 years, we've brought together our community's commitment to Torah education across our community's Orthodox K-8 schools serving 3,300+ students. This past school year, we distributed \$2.2 million in unrestricted funds directly to schools, including Arie Crown. Schools rely on this money to cover basic but vital costs, such as teachers' salaries.

Through trusted stewardship and community-wide collaboration, we're creating a stronger, more unified Chicago Orthodox community for generations. Whether through monthly giving, annual contributions, or community involvement, every partnership strengthens Jewish education across our kehillah. 100% of donations go directly to schools like yours, reflecting our commitment to transparent stewardship.

Learn more about joining our united mission at kehillahfund.org.

A Night at the Art Museum an original production



The Ralla Klepak PAL program at Sarah Hartman is a FREE program for girls grades 1-10 to explore the performing arts.

Limited spots available

2025-2026 CALENDAR	
SEPTEMBER	14 28
OCTOBER	26
NOVEMBER	9 23
DECEMBER	7 28
JANUARY	
FEBRUARY	8 22
MARCH	8 22
APRIL	19 26*
MAY	3* 17* 31*

PAL PROGRAM

ART

MUSIC

DRAMA

DANCE

SUNDAYS

10:05-11:50AM (1st-4th)

12:05-1:50PM (5th-10th)

PALINITIATIVE.ORG

Sign up at









FALL LIFECYCLES





GRADES 5-8 SUN, SEP 21-JAN 11 GIRLS 12:30-1:30 PM BOYS 4:15-5:15 PM

Explore habitats, diet and behaviors of small, burrowing mammals and build mazes to examine their cognitive abilities.

SIGN UP TODAY!

LOCATION

3050. W. Touhy Ave., Albany entrance

COST

\$160 per semester for 12 weeks. Add on additional Sunday classes for \$100. Siblings participate at a 25% discount. Need-based scholarships available upon request.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation option is now available at \$100 per student. Getting children to their favorite enrichment programs has never been easier!

SIGN UP

Sign up or learn more at www.walderlab.org/lifecycles or call 773.649.5360.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!



MONDAY

Art with Ms. O 1st- 2nd Grade Girls

\$5/Class

Healthy Snacks with Mrs. Chinn 3rd - 5th Grade Girls First Half - 7 Weeks \$13/Class

Hip Hop with Danceworks 4th- 6th Grade Girls Minimum 10 girls \$10/Class

Battle of the Books with Mrs. DeAngelis 5th Grade Girls

\$5/Class

STEM with Mr. Burke
6th - 8th Grade Girls
Twice a Week
\$5/Class + \$60 Materials

Basketball Skills with Camp Chai Leagues 1st - 3rd Grade Boys

\$15/Class

Healthy Snacks with Mrs. Chinn 3rd-4th Grade Boys Second Half - 6 Weeks \$13/Class

Homework Club with Mrs. Whisler 3rd-5th Grade Boys

\$5/Class

Soccer with Yarin Hayohamo 1st - 4th Grade Boys

\$15/Class

TUESDAY

Ballet with Danceworks 1st-3rd Grade Girls

\$10/Class

Art with Ms. O 3rd-4th Grade Girls

\$5/Class

Yoga with Ms. Kessel 6th - 7th Grade Girls

\$11/Class

Guitar with Mrs. Keener 7th - 8th Grade Girls

\$7/Class

Homework Club with Mrs. Whisler 3rd - 8th Grade Girls

\$5/Class

Chess Chevra 2nd - 4th Grade Boys Min. 8 boys/Max 12 boys \$20/Class

Shark Tank with Nexplore 3rd - 6th Grade Boys

\$20/Class + \$50 Materials

Circuit Training with Camp Chai Leagues 4th - 6th Grade Boys

\$15/Class

STEM with Mr. Burke 6th - 8th Grade Boys Twice a Week \$5/Class + \$60 Materials

WEDNESDAY

Tumbling with Mrs. Jedd 1st - 3rd Grade Girls

\$5/Class

Shark Tank with Nexplore 3rd - 6th Grade Girls

\$20/Class + \$50 Materials

Yoga with Ms. Kessel
8th Grade Girls

\$11/Class

STEM with Mr. Burke
6th - 8th Grade Girls
Twice a Week
\$5/Class + \$60 Materials

Martial Arts with Nexplore 1st - 5th Grade Boys

\$20/Class

Music x Gaming 1st - 6th Grade Boys

\$25/Class

Circuit Training with Camp Chai Leagues 7th - 8th Grade Boys

\$15/Class



Scan with your phone to register

THURSDAY

Martial Arts with Nexplore 1st - 5th Grade Girls

\$20/Class

Music x Gaming 1st - 6th Grade Girls

\$25/Class

Basketball Skills with Mrs. Sweet 3rd - 4th Grade Girls

\$6/Class

Sports of all Sorts with Mrs. Jedd 5th - 6th Grade Girls

\$5/Class

Paint Pouring with Mrs. Miller 4th - 8th Grade Girls

\$15/Class

Circuit Training with Camp Chai Leagues 1st- 3rd Grade Boys

\$15/Class

Chess Chevra 5th - 8th Grade Boys

\$20/Class

STEM with Mr. Burke
6th - 8th Grade Boys
Twice a Week
\$5/Class + \$60 Materials

Self Defense with StandStrong 6th - 8th Grade Boys

\$15/Class

CLUBS RUN FROM OCTOBER 20 - JANUARY 22 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM