

# Nachas News



**Gan Israel Preschool**

Date: Dec. 14, 2018

Parsha: Vayigash

## Announcements

### IMPORTANT DATE CHANGES:

- Family Havdallah Event has been moved to Sat. Night Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 – 7:30 PM
- Quiz Night and Auction (our biggest fundraiser of the year) has been moved to Sat. Night March 2<sup>nd</sup> (please book your babysitter now, as we would love to have all parents attend this event)

Please make sure that children's spare clothes are appropriate for the colder weather. Please also have children bring coats, hats, mittens etc. every day as we love to go outside to play. Thank you

### Photo of the Week

Exploring at our new mud kitchen!



### Next Week's Snack Family

Deutsch(Hirsh)

Rigberg

Korman

Capel

## LOOKING AHEAD...

Next week classes will continue to explore day and night. All classes are creating a Shema (night time) and Modeh Ani (day time) poster to take home. This is a fun way to look and discuss our bedtime rituals as well as morning time routines.

Pre K and 3's will continue to find out about the Parsha through stories and activities.

Pajama Day was a huge success! We had fun snuggling, singing, playing and learning. Ask us about the sleeping animals game and Morah Terri's Monkey shadows.

### Aftercare Antics!



### Shabbos Times:

Candle lighting: 4:30 PM

Shabbos ends: 5:32 PM

## Young 2's class

What a fun two weeks we had. The children enjoyed our candle lighting every morning followed by singing and dancing to celebrate Hanukkah.

We introduced play dough to the children. They rolled it in their hand, smashed it with rolling pins and then made dreidels, menorahs, and Maccabees soldiers. We also played with our wooden candles, spun real dreidels and pretended to make latkes.

When the weather was nice enough to be able to go to the playground the children found the pile of leaves and were jumping through it.

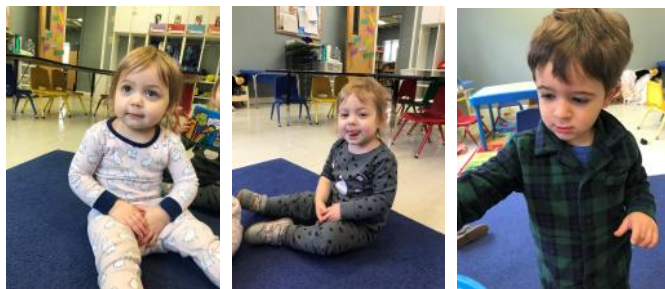
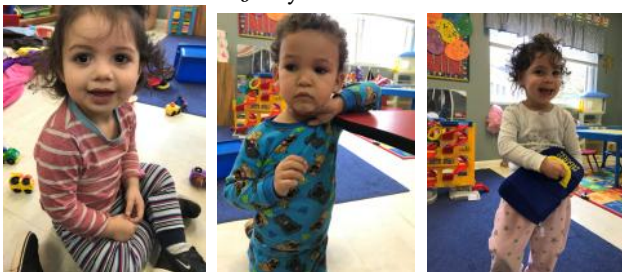
This week we are talking about what we do when we go to sleep. The moon and stars come out so we the children made a picture with a moon and stars. The children were allowed to squeeze the bottles of glue then feel the texture of the stars and moon made from tissue paper and then place them on the paper where they wish. Then we had pajama day .What fun!!

The children got a little antsy since it was so cold so we brought out the big tunnel where they crawled thru taking turns and waiting their turn to go thru.

Remember we go outside as long as it is above 32 and not too windy. Thank you to those who send in warm jackets and hats.

Shabbat Shalom,  
Morah Beth and Morah Micky

PJ Day cuteness!!



## 2-Year-Old Class

Dear parents.

Last week we had another exciting week experiencing the meaning of Chanukah and why we celebrate it? We continued with the story of Chanukah and the Maccabees, we lit candles every day, we played with dreidels and the children enjoyed continuing with Chanukah projects. Every day we lit one more candle, and when it was time for the children to play Hailey pretend that she too can do it all by herself. The children enjoyed playing with play-dough shaping it and painting it. It took a little process but they learned to recognize the shapes and named them.

One of the explorations that the children enjoyed best was building the Temple. It was great to see them how they join together as a team and put the blocks together.



Everyday of the week we say the prayers in circle time. The children are used to the prayers and they sing them together. We decided that we also can do a great project out of our prayers. We had a discussion about the Shema and how we can say it before bedtime and in the morning! So when the stars and moon are out, before going to sleep we say the Shema and also at circle time in the morning.



We also discussed dreaming. The children enjoyed painting their dreams and telling us about them.

Shabbat Shalom

Mora Suzy, Mora Karen and Mora Miki.

## 3-Year-Old Class

We spent last week learning about Chanukah. We made the movie for our Chanukah bash on Friday. We also learned which way to put in the candles and which way to light them. We talked about different foods to eat during Chanukah—and the different ways that we can make food.



The children had the best time, though, learning to play dreidel. They learned how to play the game as well as what the letters mean.

Learning all about day and night and bedtime was fun. The children especially loved our Friday pajama day. We were monkeys jumping on a bed (shadow puppets), sleeping animals movement game, Good Night Moon story and of course pretending to sleep at school!



We are really enjoying meeting up with the Pre K for Parsha. This week we played a game of hide the kiddish cup to remind us of what Yosef did to his brothers.



Shabbat Shalom!  
Morah Faith and Morah Maddy

## Pre K Class

Pre-K has learned how to play Dreidel. We love spinning we love taking turns and we have so much fun reminding each other ... "before the spin, you put one in". We used "real" Chanukah gelt (not chocolate), a real pot and our favorite dreidels. We are very proud that we learned how to figure out half... when we Spin a Hey....(we spill the gelt out of the pot and then line them up matching 2 + 2 + 2 like a ladder. When we're all done, we decide which part we want and then put the other one back.

We reviewed letters A through F. Show & Share this Wednesday was about choosing our favorite letter A to F & bringing something in from home that begin with that letter. We were so proud to share with our friends.

The Parsha was exciting! So the dreams that Paroh had, they came true. The dreams that Yosef had, they came true to. All of Yosef's brothers bowed in front of him when they went to Paroh's Palace because there was no more food in all the land. Yosef wasn't sure if his brothers were still mean or if they changed so, he used a Kiddush cup to see the truth.

Pajama Day was hit...to say the least. We learned so much about day and night, the sun and earth. It was amazing to learn that when the sun shines here its the day time (party time) but doesn't shine on the other side of the earth. Its dark (bed time).

The parsha was amazing this week. We learned that Yosef, who has been Paroh's (yes, Pah-ro) right hand man, met up with his brothers who have fallen back into his good graces, finally (ie: Binyamin & the kiddush cup). Yaakov also learned that Yosef was alive...they all move to Goshen which is right outside of the big city of Mitzrayim. Yay!!!

The letter G; **Gecko, Glitter, Green, Gold, & Soggy Doggy** were all over our room this week & G has 2 sounds! Wowee!!!! Letter sounds, Letter recognition as well as beginning/ending sounds are beginning to pop up on our radar and...so are similar Hebrew & Alphabet Sounds.

We introduced The Alef - Bet reading book :

Parents, Thanks again for reading, admiring and sending Project Binders back to school on Mon. and Tues.

Have a great Shabbat! Morah Terri



Young engineers, hard at work!