



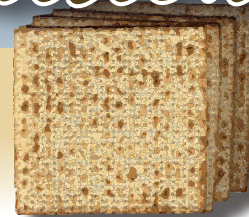
# ASHREINews

## Pesach Edition



### Menahel's Message

*Guaranteed!*



Investment firms typically caution that past performance does not ensure future results. Fortunately, the Ribbono shel Olam issues no such disclaimers. On the contrary, writes R. Yitzchak of Korvil in his classic Sefer Mitzvos Katan, our unwavering belief in the ultimate Redemption is founded on the fact that Hashem redeemed us from the bondage of Egyptian slavery once, and is thus eminently capable of facilitating miracles of similar magnitude in the future.

The commandment of 'אלוקיך אשר הוצאתיך מארץ מצרים' - "I am Hashem your G-d who took you out of Egypt" - is thus the basis for each of us being asked after 120 years whether or not we were sufficiently optimistic: "צפית לישועה."

It is perhaps for this reason that later on in Parashas Shoftim, the Torah describes G-d not merely as the One who released us from Egypt, but rather as the One who elevated us from Egypt: "המעלך מארץ מצרים". By redeeming us once, suggests the Lubavitcher Rebbe z"l, Hashem elevated our individual and

collective spirits, and infused within them an eternal sense of optimism and hope.

Enjoy your present *berachos*, and look forward to those that await, for unlike the predictions of even the most confident prognosticator, Hashem's past *nissim v'niflaos* are guaranteed harbingers of an even brighter future: "בימי צאתך מארץ מצרים אראנו נפלאות."

*With best wishes for a chag Kasher v'sameach,*  
-Rakhi Ari Jacobson  
Menahel/Dean



Please enjoy your children's Haggadot and don't forget to fill in their Pesach Break Charts!

## Important Upcoming Events

SUNDAY, MARCH 21  
Boys, Grades 4-8 Final Sunday Program

TUESDAY, APRIL 6  
Sessions Resume

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14  
Yom Hazikaron School Observance

WEDNESDAY-MONDAY,  
MARCH 24-APRIL 5  
\*\*\*No School Pesach Break

THURSDAY, APRIL 8  
Yom Hashoah School Observance

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15  
Yom Ha'Atzmaut School Observance

\*\*\*Current New York State regulations require any individual traveling to any state other than New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Vermont and Pennsylvania, or internationally, for a period longer than 24 hours must:

1. Take a negative COVID-19 test at your travel destination within three days prior to returning to New York, and
2. quarantine for three days upon return to New York, and then take a negative COVID-19 test. No child or staff member may return to school without doing so.





**Mrs. Jacqueline Borgen**

Principal of Early Childhood and First Grade

On behalf of the entire Early Childhood family, I would like to wish you a Chag Kosher V'Sameach! Enjoy the Chag with your children. The teachers have prepared the children beautifully for Pesach. They know so much, and are so excited to share all their information with you. We will miss the children, and look forward to hearing all about everyone's Yom Tov when they return to school.

Please enjoy the special video starring the children in ASHAR's Gan Esther Early Childhood Program [www.ashar.org/ecppesach](http://www.ashar.org/ecppesach)



# חג כשר ושמח

## Pesach



## Chalav U'dvash



## Music & Movement





**Mrs. Debby Jacobson**  
Principal of Girls Division



Slavery was finally over. The Jews marched triumphantly out of Egypt. Their servitude had come to an end, and their redemption was underway.

Standing at the shore of the Yam Suf, the Jewish people, under the direction of Moshe, began to sing the Shiras HaYam, a song expressing their gratitude and thanksgiving to Hashem. As Moshe and the men concluded their song, Miriam and the women rose to sing their song with voice, tambourines, and dance.

Rashi explains how the women had these tambourines with them. The righteous women were confident that Hashem would make miracles for them, so they prepared tambourines and dances. Engulfed in misery, the women did not lose their hope. Amidst their agony, the women prepared tambourines.

This was the strength of the women who left Egypt, equipped with tambourines and dances of joy and faith. At ASHAR, this is the strength that we have begun to inculcate in our girls.

זכות נשים צדקניות נגאלו אבותינו ממצרים, ובזכות נשים צדקניות עתידין אנו להגאל

*May it be speedily in our day!*

# ASHAR GIRLS DIVISION

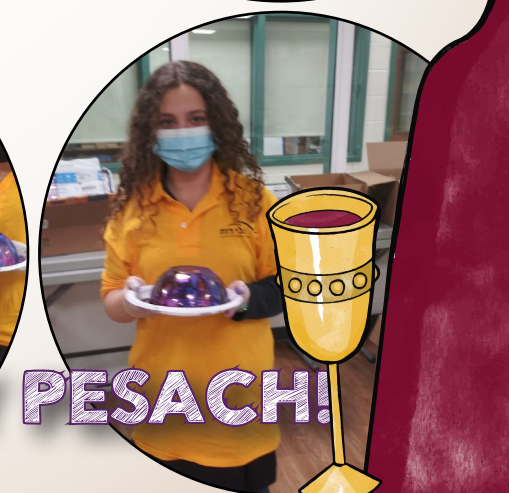


*Pesach Dominoes!*

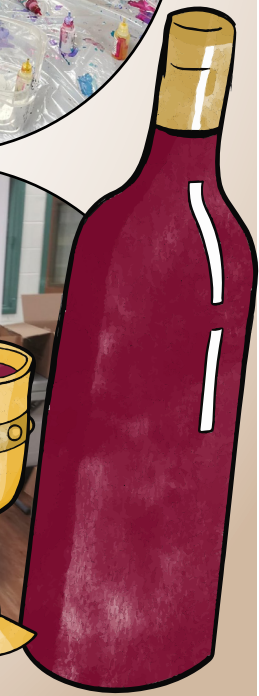


*We made Karpas dishes!*

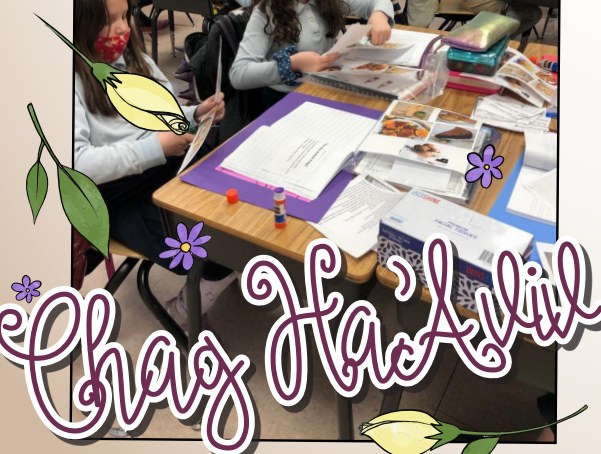
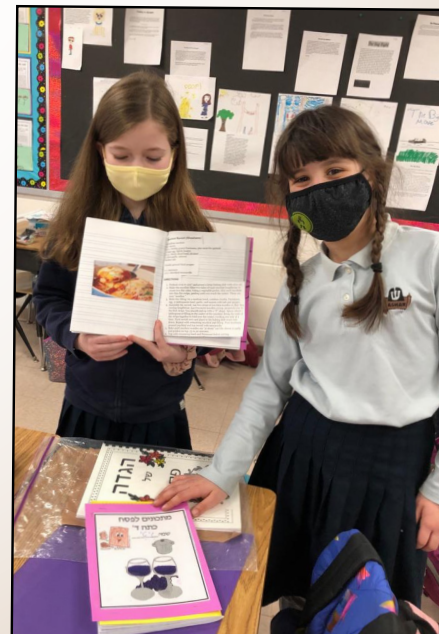
A special shoutout to Mrs. Markowitz for helping with this project.



**HAPPY PESACH!**



4G works on their haggadah. They also created a Pesach cookbook in Hebrew.



*Chay HaLil*



# Riddle of the Week ? WHO AM I ?

I can mean "hard work"; less than an olive; wash for me; don't confuse me with your salary

Submit answer in your SMVT sheet for a chance to win a prize!

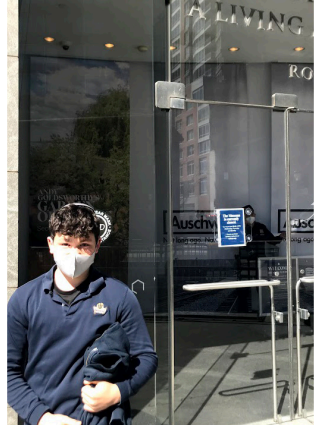
Last Week's Answer: **Nesi'im** "We lost a letter; our laziness caused our vigilance; our power distorted our reasoning; you read about us on Chanukah."



As part of their "Names, Not Numbers" Holocaust education curriculum, eighth grade visited The Museum of Jewish Heritage.



ASHAR students took part in the Teach NYS 2021 Virtual Mission to Albany, where they heard from New York Lt. Governor Kathleen Hochul and met with Assembly Member Ken Zebrowski and others.



Why do we have a *kag gadah* on Pesach?  
So we can *Seder* right words.

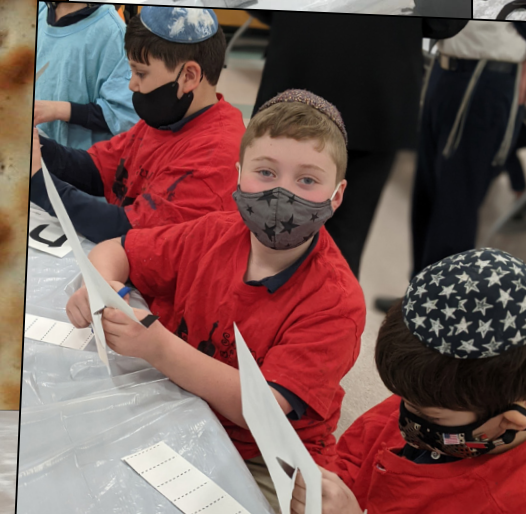
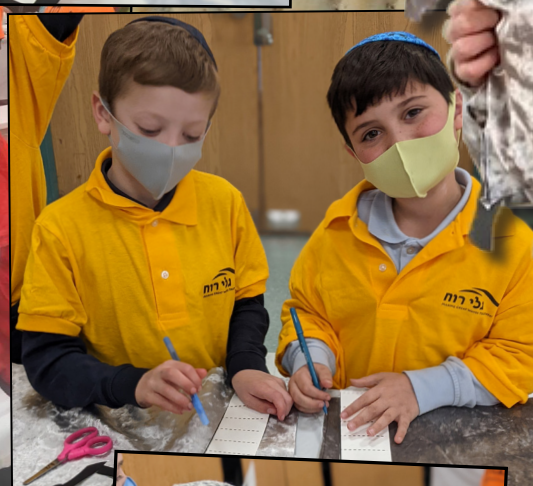
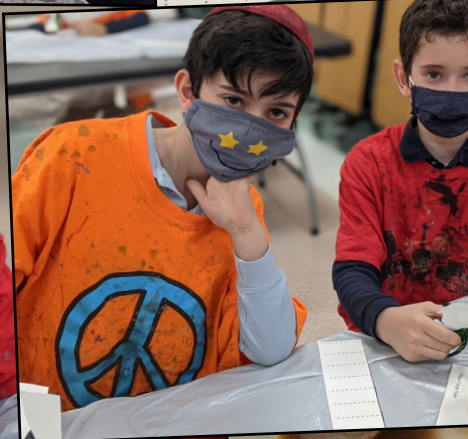


Model Matzah Bakery



We are like  
rings on Pesach  
so the boys created  
pillows to lean on like a  
ring at the seder!

Thank you to Mrs. Markowitz and  
Rabbi Freedland  
for organizing this hands  
on event!





**Mrs. Mindy Reifer**

Director of Curriculum



**Mrs. Jennah Schuh**

Assistant Principal



Check out a  
snippet from the  
Girls Division Haggadah

By: Rachel Fine (8G) & Atara Friedman (8G)



There are many different traditions of the Pesach seder, and in Egypt there are many interesting and unheard of traditions. One especially interesting tradition that is done in Jewish Egyptians' homes on the night of the seder is dressing up like ancient Bnei Yisrael. The reason for this is to experience their past story as if it is happening to them currently. Acting out the story in a question-and-answer format is also part of this custom. Acting out the story in this manner allows parents to pass on the story to their children in an animated and interactive way. This makes it easier for both the parents and the children to fully understand the story and to fulfill the mitzvah of the night. This is just one of the many traditions that can help enhance the experience of Seder night.



To view the  
Haggadah  
please visit:  
[www.ashar.org/haggadah](http://www.ashar.org/haggadah)



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Companion  
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By: Aharon Yaniv (6B)



אילו קרבנו לפני הר סיני,  
ולא נתן לנו את התורה, דיינו.

Why would we have been grateful if Hashem had brought us to Mt. Sinai but had not given us the Torah? What was the point of going to Sinai if not for the Torah?

Let's say you walk into a perfume shop, and you walk out with nothing, but you smell very good. It doesn't matter if you buy something, just being in such a pleasant place leaves an effect. In the same way we would have gained something at Mt Sinai even if we didn't receive the Torah. By being there we felt, heard, and saw the holiness of Hashem. And that alone would have been enough.



Check out a  
snippet from the  
Boys Division Companion





פרנס השבוע  
March 14-20 • א' - ז' ניסן

This week's Torah learning is sponsored by Felicia and William Hirshfeld

לע"נ

**Tzvi ben Dov z"l**

ה' ניסן is whose yahrzeit

Father of Felicia Hirshfeld

Grandfather of Rachel and Ari Hirshfeld, ASHAR graduates

May our children's learning serve as an aliya for his neshama.



פרנס היום  
March 17 • ד' ניסן

Wednesday's Torah learning is sponsored by Levi & Chaye Sabol

לע"נ

**הרב גרשון בן אברהם ז"ל סייבאל**

Grandfather of Aron (Class of 2020), Gabi (6B) and Emmanuel (1B) Sabol

May our children's learning serve as an aliya for his neshama.



פרנס היום  
March 18 • ה' ניסן

Thursday's Torah learning is sponsored by Mrs. Sarah Pollack

לע"נ

**פסח יהושע בן יוסף מאיר ז"ל**

**Adam Pollack z"l**

Father of Abby (Class of 2015), Shira (Class of 2018), Sam (7B), Rebecca (2G) and Ethan (KB)

May our children's learning serve as an aliya for his neshama.



פרנס היום  
March 22 • ט' ניסן

Monday's Torah learning is sponsored by Reuven & Libby Goldberg,

לע"נ

**שמואל בן יצחק אייזיק**

Great-grandmother of Kedem Friedman (8B) and

Maor (6B), Chovav (2B) and Asaf Goldberg (KB)

May our children's learning serve as an aliya for his neshama.



פרנס היום  
March 31 • י"ח ניסן

Wednesday's Torah learning is sponsored by Avi & Yocheved Goldberg

לע"נ

**מאיר זאב גבריאל בן מנחם מענדל ז"ל**

Grandfather of Maor (6B), Chovav (2B) and Asaf (KB) Goldberg

May our children's learning serve as an aliya for his neshama.



\*\*\*For any students that are unable to attend school, we offer grab and go lunches. Pickup daily at the front door. Mon-Thurs 1:00-2:00 PM, Fri 12:30-1:30 PM\*\*\*





FIRST EVER

Virtual Dinner

SAVE THE DATE

5/12/21

Mazel  
Tov!

Rabbi & Mrs. Jacobson  
on the birth of a new grandson

Beth Morell  
on the marriage of her son

Daniel (PKA) &  
Menachem (3B) Herman  
on their new baby brother

Hodaya (1G), Talia (1G)  
& Yonatan (2B) Mizrahi  
on their new baby brother

Gabi Sabol (6B)  
on winning the NYS men's  
Gymnastics competition for  
Level 5 in his age group



מזל טוב  
Mazel Tov

Have any good news to share?  
email [mgoldman@ashar.org](mailto:mgoldman@ashar.org)

## Spot the Differences

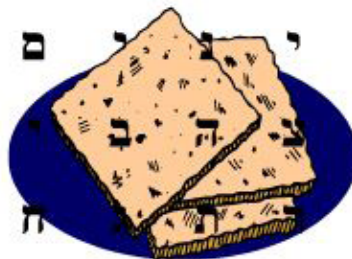


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הגדה  
סדר  
הלל

פסח  
מכות  
מסובים

מרור  
נחשוך  
כרפס

מצה  
שירה  
יחץ

What happens on  
the second day  
of Pesach?

Bonus