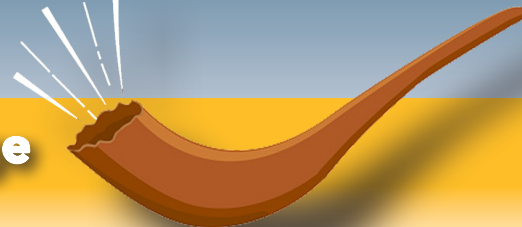




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Menahel's Message Shofar of Hope



the Rambam,

עורר ישנים משנתכם ונרדמים הקיצו מתרדמתכם וחפשו במעשיכם
"והזרו בתשובה וזכרו בוראכם" "Awaken from your slumber and
return to Hashem."

R. Don Isaac Abarbanel, the great 15th century commentator and statesman, however, points to an additional- and often ignored- aspect of shofar. Yes, the shofar blasts remind us to awaken and repent, but they also offer hope and foretell a brighter future. Like the

blasts of the Yovel sounded on Yom Kippur of the fiftieth year that free slaves and restore ancestral property ownership, and like the blasts of the shofar gadol that will usher in the final redemption, the shofar of Rosh Hashana is a symbol of hope and a harbinger of better times ahead, albeit on a more limited scale. The shofar reminds us to never stop hoping: hoping for ourselves, our children and the world.

May the coming year be one of abundant beracha, hatzlacha and nachas, לנו ולכל ישראל!

בברכת כתיבה וחתימה טובה,

- Rabbi Ari Jacobson

Menahel/Dean

Wednesday, June 21st Torah learning
was sponsored by
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Important Upcoming Events

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15-17
Rosh Hashana No Sessions

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
Tzom Gedalia Early Dismissal:
N, PK - 1:30 PM, K-8 - 1:45 PM

SUNDAY-MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24-25
Yom Kippur No Sessions

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
ECP Torah Parade

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, SEP. 29-OCT. 8
Sukkot No Sessions

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9
 **No Bus Transportation**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11
8B/G Parent Meeting 7:30 PM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15
4B-8B Sunday Program Begins

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17
Busing: No Bus Transportation
for Suffern Central



Mrs. Jacqueline Borgen

Principal, Early Childhood and First Grade

The school year has begun, and we are off to a great start. It was so nice to welcome all the children and parents back to school this year. Even though we have only had a handful of school days, it is amazing how quickly the children are adjusting! The children come to school with smiles on their faces and are truly enjoying their school experience. They are acclimating to their new surroundings, learning the routine of the day and making lots of new friends. The children learned the classroom rules and know that we have rules to keep everyone safe and happy! The children are busy playing in their class centers, making projects, and learning about Rosh Hashana. We played outside in the playground and in the Indoor Playroom as well. We met Mitzvah Man, Morah Malky (Music & Movement/ Gym) and Morah Nofar (Chalav U'Dvash).

"In the month of Elul, we blow the Shofar each day, Rosh Hashana is coming our way!" In connection to our upcoming Chag of Rosh Hashana, our Nursery-1st grade children enjoyed a wonderful visit from the Shofar Factory. Rav Shmuli, from Tzivos Hashem Crafts Workshops, brought along his animals, tons of different kinds of horns and shofars, and lots of special tools! It was a wonderful hands-on experience. The children viewed and felt horns from different animals, and learned which ones were Kosher and why. They were then able to make a real shofar! They pulled out the marrow (insides) of the horn, sawed off the tip and drilled a hole. The children received their own class Shofar to play and experiment with in their classrooms.



Rosh Chodesh Assembly

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Mr. and Mrs. Yaakov and Rochel Zellermaier

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In memory of Daniel Chaim Ben Pesach Halavi



We also had our first ECP assembly of the school year. This assembly was extra special since this new month of Tishrei also begins the New Year, Rosh Hashana. We spoke about the gift that Hashem gives us every year (the ability to do Teshuva), and spoke about Tashlich, the Shofar and more. We listened to Rabbi Jacobson blow the Shofar, to real Tefilot we will be hearing in shul, and we watched Mitzvah Man go to the river to say Tashlich. We are certainly all ready for Rosh Hashana and know we are going to try to be the best Mitzvah boys and girls! We sang and gave birthday claps to all the Elul and Tishrei birthday children.

On behalf of the entire Early Childhood family, I would like to wish everyone a Happy, Healthy and Sweet New Year!

Shabbat Shalom!

K'tiva V'Chatima Tova! Shana Tova!



ECP Back-to-School Night



Mat Man



Mat Man Self Portraits



Rosh Hashana



Center Play



Indoor playroom



Mitzvah Man Friday Lesson



Rabbi Jacobson blew shofar for the ECP classes

ASHAR GIRLS

DIVISION

Mrs. Debby Jacobson

Principal, Girls Division



The Lubavitcher Rebbe explains that the three sounds of the shofar represent three different types of Jews. The *tekiah*, represents the righteous Jew. The *shevarim*, represents the Jew that is devoid of Torah and *mitzvos*. The *teruah*, represents the struggling Jew. On Rosh Hashana, we never blow the sounds of *shevarim* and *teruah* unless they are surrounded by *tekios*. We never allow the *shevarim* and *teruah* Jews to stand alone in front of the heavenly court without being flanked by *tekiah* Jews. On Rosh Hashana, all types of Jews stand together ready to be judged.

This year, our girls are learning that they must stand together and help one another. They are learning to forge friendships and to be empathetic of others. They are learning to care for one another through words and actions.

יה רצון ממלך כי תאמלאו זכרון שופר
בכבוד גדולה ונחמה טובה



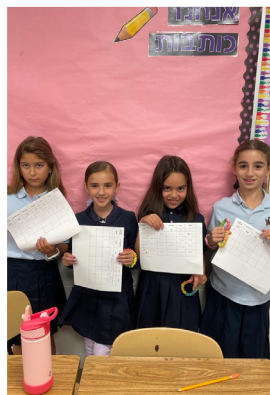
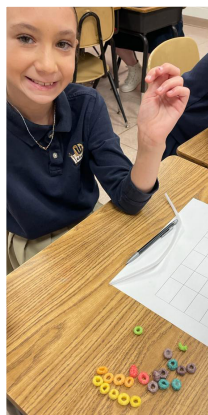
Rabbi Jacobson blows the shofar in 4G



First day of school in Girls Division



Our fourth to eighth grade girls made honey dippers for Rosh Hashana.



4G made place value bracelets



Our second and third grade girls made an abacus to keep track of the sounds of the shofar.

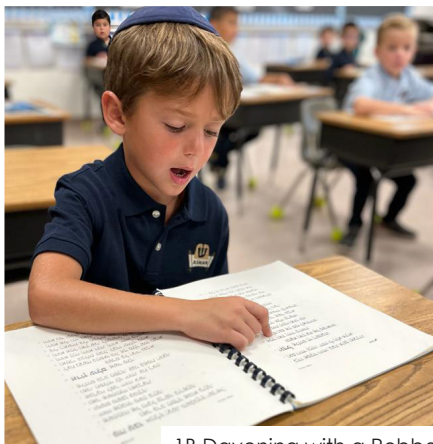


4G made honey cookies and Rosh Hashana cards.





First Matnas Shabbos of the Year!
ASHAR's bi-weekly 1-3B program began last Friday. Through song, stories and treats, we hope to inspire minds and warm hearts, thus strengthening our talmidim's appreciation of Hashem's gift of Shabbos: Matnas Shabbos.



1B Davening with a Rebbe



Shofar Factory



2B made an abacus to keep track of the sounds of the shofar on Rosh Hashana



Duvi Ziegler (3B) leading bentsching



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Recess time in 1B!



What We Are Writing

4G Rosh Hashana Acrostics with Mrs. Jacobs

By: Sophia Simon



Sophia

Rosh Hashana.
Eat apples.
Fish head.
Lick honey.
Erasing our averios.
Crying to Hashem.
Teshuva.
I will do mitzvos.
Open the gates.
New year is here.

Zehava

September 13, 2023

Remember the sweet year you had.
Erase all your averios.
Fish head on table.
Love apples in honey.
Everybody hears the shofar.
Crying to Hashem.
Teshuva.
I will remember to do mitzvot.
Open the gates.
New year is here.



By: Zehava Judkin

Leah

Rosh hashana.
Everybody hears the shofar.
Forgiveness.
Listen to Hashem.
Erasing our averios.
Cry to Hashem.
Tashlich.
I will do more mitzvot!
Open the gates.
New year.



By: Leah Miriam Hayman

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL TIMES

N 9:00-3:00
PK 9:00-3:20
K-4 8:30-3:45 PM
5-8G, 5B 8:30-4:40
6-8B 7:50-4:40

Student Drop-Off and Pick-Up Protocol

Parents dropping off elementary and middle school (1-8) students after 9:00 AM, or ECP (N-K) students after 9:20 AM, must park and come into the front office to sign your child(ren) in.



If you would like to pick your child up from school prior to dismissal, or you would like to carpool your child at regular dismissal time, rather than have him/ her take the bus, kindly email your request to dismissal@ashar.org before 2:00 PM on Mon.-Thu., or before 11:30 AM on Friday. Please do not call the school office, or email after these times, as we may not be able to accommodate.

Call a new friend

You can find your child's Class list in ParentLocker under School Directory. Find a new friend to call and make them feel welcome!



A SWEET ROSH HASHANA TREAT FROM THE ASHAR PTA and ASHAR Administrators *Thank you!*

Wishing everyone a happy, healthy and sweet New Year.



Mazel Tov!

Mrs. Ora Koenig
on the birth of a grandson

Yael Bruk ('15)
on her engagement to Jonathan Sarahson
Avigail (3G) and Isabelle (1G) Stern
on the birth of a brother

Perri (Rosman) Kretchner ('16)
on the birth of a girl

Have any good news to share? email mgoldman@ashar.org



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Dip the Apple in the Honey!



Rosh Hashana Fun Page



FIND THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN THE HOLIDAY SCENE:

- 12 APPLE SLICES
- 7 SIMPLE BEES
- 6 FULL APPLES
- 4 ROUND CHALLAHS
- 3 POMEGRANATE
- 10 STAR FRUIT
- 5 HONEY DIPPERS

BONUS: FIND THE HONEY CAKE:



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