



February 8, 2019

"Rosh Chodesh Adar-Alef"

Welcome Back! We hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable vacation. We were so happy to welcome the children back to school with their beautiful smiles! We are now ready to complete the second half of the school year and are looking forward to educating your children and watching them continue to grow and flourish.

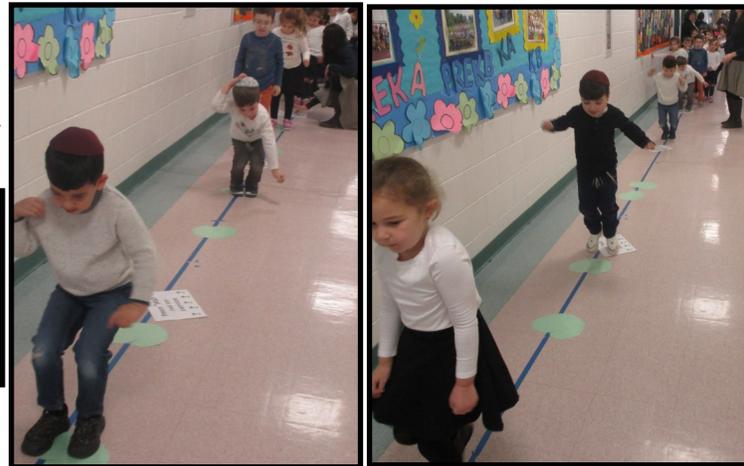
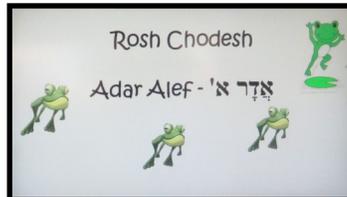
Thank you very much for the wonderful Mitzvah Notes you sent in after vacation. We really enjoyed reading them out loud and giving the children a double thumbs up! We are so proud of the children for making a Kiddush Hashem and for the display of their beautiful Middot!

On Wednesday, the entire Early Childhood family celebrated the second day of Rosh Chodesh Adar Alef together in the indoor playroom. As the children walked down the hallway, they noticed lily pads on the floor and a sign that said, "Please 'leap' into the playroom." Once inside, Morah asked the yeladim what "leaping" had to do with Rosh Chodesh Adar. Morah explained that after the lesson we will figure out why.

Watch at:

<https://youtu.be/IH-RQdcZ8KQ>

<https://youtu.be/Cu0y6d73OPQ>



We then sang our Chodesh song and when we went to find our new month, we saw Adar's name 2 times. Why? This year we have a "Leap Year" and we add another Adar to make sure that Pesach falls in the season of spring - Pesach is Chag Haaviv! Watch at: <https://youtu.be/16Qq4MIUED4>



So what do we celebrate in Adar Alef? Not Purim, Purim's in Adar Bet!

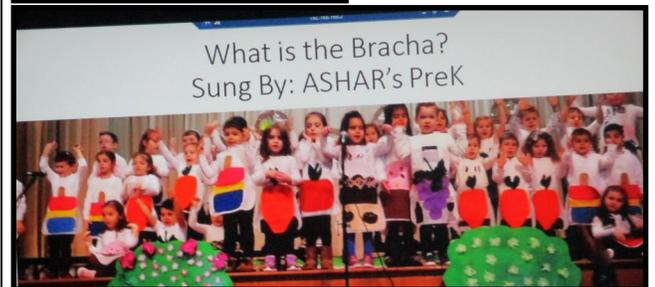
We can do the Mitzvah of *Ivdu Et Hashem B'Simcha* and have an extra month of Simcha- "*Mishenichnas Adar Marbin B'Simcha!*" We should perform all of Hashem's Mitzvot B'Simcha-with a smile on our face.

We remembered that we just finished a unit all about "Brachot." We can be *B'Simcha* when we say a Bracha and thank Hashem. Saying Brachot and Amen brings lots of Simcha into the world!

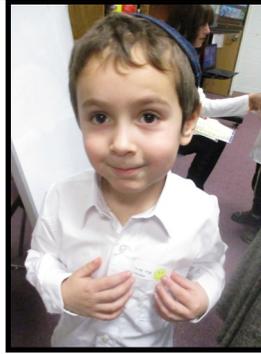
We watched a video of our PreK children singing, "Before we eat let's remember to say, thank you Hashem for our food on this day."

We then watched a wonderful video showing us that when we make Brachas Hashem sends down Malachim to protect us and how with every Mitzvah we do, we contribute to the rebuilding of the Beit Hamikdash!

We are all so excited that we have an extra month of Adar and we can't wait to make a Kiddush Hashem and do Mitzvot with a smile on our faces and Simcha in our hearts!



Watch the videos: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yyUFJMM3hv8>
 We all received a sticker and leapt out of the playroom, down the hallway and back to class with big smiles on our faces!



HAPPY Birthday!

"Yom Huledet Sameach!"



Birthday Claps



Dancing



Thank you to Chesky Samet's parents for sponsoring Rosh Chodesh Adar's PTA gift!

Dates to Remember:

- **Monday, February 18th:** Presidents' Day. No Sessions.
- **Tuesday, February 19th-Friday, February 22nd:** No bus service.
- If your child came home with a UPK application, please fill it out and return to school with all the appropriate documentation ASAP.

Shabbat Shalom!

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"Kids' Quotes"

We asked the children, "What was your favorite part of the assembly?"

Here were some of their answers:



I'm excited that Purim is coming soon.



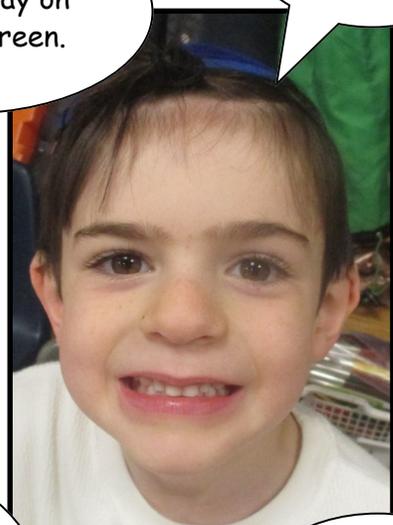
I liked leaping into the room.



I loved the "Mach a Bracha" song and video.



I liked seeing our Brachot play on the big screen.



I liked watching the frogs jumping.



I liked watching the song about making a bracha and building the Beit Hamikdash.



I liked watching the video about making a Bracha.



I liked learning all about Brachot.

Please continue to fill out this page with details of how your child made a Kiddush Hashem and send in to school. I am reading them over to the rest of the Yeladim every Friday during my weekly Mitzvah Man visits and lessons.

PARENTS!

**MAKE COPIES OF THESE NOTES TO GIVE TO YOUR KIDS
WHENEVER THEY MAKE A KIDDUSH HASHEM!**

