



September/October 2023 • Elul 5783/Tishrei/Cheshvan 5784 • אלול תשפ"ג, תשרי - חשון תשפ"ד

Shalom Kindergarten Parents,

During the months of September and October we are learning the following:

**Alef Bet Program:**

Students are learning The Alef Bet song, to recognize the letters of the Hebrew alphabet:

**Alef, Bet, Gimmel, Dalet and Hei** as well as vocabulary words beginning with each letter.

**אבגדה**

Letter Alef "א" "Ani, Ata, At, Abba, Anachnu (Me, You m., You f., Father, We)

Letter Bet "ב" "Ba'it, Ani baba'it, Ani lo baba'it, Ba, Ba'ah (House, I am in the house, I am not in the house, come m., come f.)

Letter gimmel "ג" "Gar, garah, Ani gar/garah be...(Live male/female, I live in... male/female)

Gadol, Gdolah (Big male/female)

Letter Dalet "ד" "Dag, Dagim (Fish singular, plural)

Degel, Degalim (flag, Flags)

Letter Hei "ה" - Havdalah, Hagadah

Tapuach VeTapuach – Tapuchim (Apple and apple-apples)

Bananah veBananah - Bananot

Chalav u'Dvash Program:

We are working on presenting ourselves:

Ani (I) + Hebrew name, Shalom \_\_\_\_\_.

Boker Tov (Good morning).

Ani Yeled (I am a boy), Ani Yaldah (I am a girl) and

Anachnu Yeladim ( We are kids).

The Hebrew days of the week:

Question:

Eiyze yom hayom? What day is today?

Mi Bagan hayom? (Who is in the kindergarten today?).

Ani bagan (I am in the kindergarten).

\_\_\_\_\_ Lo Bagan (\_\_\_\_\_is not in the kindergarten).

We will review the letters and vocabulary words they already know.

### **Grammar:**

Noun Male-Female, Singular-Plural:

Tapuach - Tapuchim

Challah - Chalot

Ner - Nerot

Chag - Chagim

Sukkah - Sukkot

Verbs : Male-Female, Singular-Plural:

Yoshev, Yoshevet, Yoshvim (Sit)

Ochel, Ochelet, Ochlim (Eat)

Mevarech, Mevarechet, Mevarchim (Bless)

Mitpalel, Mitpalelet, Mitpalelim (Pray)

### **Holidays:**

We are learning about the month of Tishrei's holidays:

Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah.

### **Rosh Hashanah:**

The holiday that marks the Jewish New Year. When and how we celebrate at home and at the synagogue? What is on the Rosh Hashanah table? Blessings for the candles, wine, challah and special food for this holiday. The students made greeting cards for their family. We also dipped apples in honey and recited the appropriate blessings.

We learned about the month of Elul. Elul is the last month in the Hebrew calendar. We discussed how we get ready for the new upcoming year and why the Rabbi blows the Shofar every day in the month of Elul.

The students learned the blessing and the meaning of eating the *rimon* (Pomegranate).

### **Yom Kippur:**

On this day the Jewish people pray in the synagogue asking for good health and well-being for the New Year. The adults fast the whole day.

### **Sukkot:**

Why do we celebrate this holiday? What is a sukkah? What do we do in the sukkah?

**Arba'at Haminim** (Explaining the four species: Etrog, Lulav, Hadasim and Aravot).

The students will experience sitting in the school's sukkah, reciting the blessings, shaking the Lulav and Etrog and reciting the blessing as well.

**Simchat Torah:**

What is the Torah and why do we celebrate this holiday? We will dance and sing with the Torah.

**Vocabulary related to the holidays:**

Shanah Tovah, Shofar, Degel, Sukkah, Lulav, Etrog, Hadasim.

We look forward to a great and productive year. Thank you for your support!

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

**Morah Rachel and Morah Sigal**