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 Parashat B'shalach

From the Principal's Desk



There are many nissim, miracles, that occur in Mitzrayim starting from the makkot and continuing in the journey through the desert. Before each miracle, there was a tiny action by a human, resulting in Hashem doing something so incredibly awesome.

It seems unnecessary at first glance. Why does Aron need to hit the water before all the waters of the world turn into blood? Why did Nachshon think it was necessary for him to walk into the Yam Suf, until the water reached his nose, in order for all the waters in the world to split in half? Why does Moshe need to strike a rock so that water will flow from it? Hashem can obviously perform these miracles without the person's action. So why does our small action have to be a part of these clear, open miracles that Hashem performs?

Hashem is expressing a powerful message of relationship. He desires and needs our relationship to be a two-way street. This is based on our giving and receiving and Hashem's giving and receiving. Hashem created the world in a way that our participation is necessary and is a needed component for the miracle to be carried out. Shlomo Hamelech tells us, "Just make a little opening like the hole of a needle and Hashem will open for you gates like those of huge palaces, big enough for carriages to pass through." (*Shir Hashirim Rabbah* 5:3)

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Important OCA Dates

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| Wednesday, February 4: | Tu Bishvat: Brachot Bee |
| Tuesday, February 10: | 2nd Grade Trip to Library |
| Thursday, February 12: | Kindergarten Middah Assembly: 9:00 AM |
| Friday, February 13: | 2nd Grade Presidents' Day Assembly: 1:00 PM |
| Monday, February 16: | No School, Presidents' Day—Movie night at OCA! |
| Tuesday, February 17: | No School, Professional Day |
| Thursday, February 18: | Salad and Fruit Sale (all proceeds go to farmers in Israel) |
| Friday, February 20: | Grandparents Day and start of Scholastic Book Fair! |

Check out our Book Fair homepage - <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/ohrchadashacademy>



From the Desk of Mrs. Randi Orshan

Carpe Diem, seize the day! We, as Jewish learners, have a responsibility to make each day of learning count. The responsibility to do so rests not only with students but with their teachers as well. OCA teachers reflect and ask, “Am I seeking new methods and exciting approaches for our Torah and general studies presentations? Am I creative and innovative in my methodology and curriculum?” Teachers must teach in the way that we want students to learn; with enthusiasm and holiness so that each day is a unique experience. Students should leave their classrooms awed and inspired. Reflections are essential to growth, and at OCA, we are all striving to grow and take each day as it comes.

Just as our classroom lessons come to life, so do the lessons we teach outside of the classroom. For example, Grandparents and Special Friends Day. This momentous day will not only teach our children the importance of family and generations, but create lasting memories for both child and grandparent. Every day at OCA is a learning opportunity and an opportunity for carpe diem!

We are looking forward to seeing all our grandparents and special friends on February 20th, and also looking forward to seeing everyone at our “Nacho Average” Book Fair events the following week. Please visit our homepage <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/ohrchadashacademy> to see event dates and times.

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Once everyone has done his “small part,” then we become a nation. And when so many individual, unique components come together with a united vision, that creates a Shira, a song – harmony. This is why this Shabbat is Shabbat Shira. It was the moment that each individual Jew played a part, put in his or her effort, and established his or her own relationship with Hashem, that we all came together with our contribution and a united vision, and from that, we experienced harmony - we created a Shira.

Shabbat Shalom,
Rabbi Moshe Margolese



Let us Help our Israeli Farmers During Shemitta

The school will be sending tzedakah money contributed during the month of Shvat to Keren HaShviis - a special organization which financially supports farmers who observe the shemittah. Please send tzedakah for this worthy cause.

Check out our Photo Gallery

To see more photos of our school activities, please check out the Photo Gallery on our school website at <http://www.ohrchadashbaltimore.org/school-life/gallery/>

Around the Halls of OCA

In **Morah Yael's PreK3** class, they learned about Tu B'Shvat and created trees using their hands and arms. They sang songs about Tu B'Shvat and following the theme of one of our songs (Tu B'Shvat by Dean Friedman), they made up all different things that might grow on trees – bicycles, lollipops, even elephants!! Then they took their ideas for trees and decorated their own trees! Boy did they look great!! They had fun trying to decide if their ideas really grew on trees or if they were just being silly!



In **Morah Anne's PreK4** class, they learned about ecology and the 4 R's: reduce, reuse, recycle, and respond. They learned about what they can and cannot recycle, how to reduce waste, and reuse items. They watched a YouTube video on the process of trash from our homes traveling to the landfills for recycling centers. Pre-K's unit on ecology corresponds with Tu B'Shevat and celebrating trees! They are learning that how caring for the earth is a Mitzvah. To do this, they are saving trash from their lunches. They created a sculpture depicting the Earth with it, and when a child brings in a trash-free lunch, he or she can remove a piece of trash off this "Earth" and at the end, when all the trash is taken off, they will have a "green" party! Trash-free lunches are ones where the items can be recycled or re-used.



Both classes learned about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and how he changed the world with powerful words and right action. They discussed how they would change the world if they could.

In **Mrs. A's kindergarten class**, they are learning all about this month's Middah of Shemirat Hateva, "Watching/Caring for Nature." They are learning about recycling and protecting our planet. In honor of Martin Luther King's birthday, they spent a lot of time talking about Dr. King, Jr. They brainstormed how they could be peace-makers at home, in school, and in our community. They came up with great ideas! They also wrote about their own dreams for making the world a better place.

Morah Ziffer's Kitah Alef was proud to teach their fellow OCA students about the middah for the month of Shvat - Shemirat Hateva. What is the connection between the middah and the month? In Shvat, we celebrate the holiday of Tu BShvat - Rosh Hashana L'ilanot. We "naturally" think about trees, nature and our environment. Usually, this is the time when students in Eretz



Yisrael go on tiyulim to plant trees. Not this year though, because it is a shemittah year. It is a Shabbat for the land and planting is not done. All the students had a virtual trip to the fields and orchards of Eretz Yisrael as they watched a brief segment of a video to see how the Jewish National Fund observes the mitzvah of shemittah while continuing to nurture the natural resources of Eretz Yisrael. Then they shared ideas of what they can do here in Baltimore to care for our natural en-



vironment. Ms. McCown introduced units of study per grade which will enhance the children's understanding of their environment and how to care for it.



Congratulations to the **Mrs. Gofeyz's first grade** for completing their first math book! The students have been working hard all year to learn addition and subtraction concepts as well as many place value skills! In addition, the first graders just finished another unit in their language arts program! Their reading skills are improving, and the first graders look forward to celebrating their accomplishments with an exciting



party next week! In **technology class** with **Mrs. Taragin**, the first graders are making snowmen on Google Drawings, learning how to copy, paste, filling in color and other formatting techniques which will help them when they progress to word processing.

Morah Yaffa's Kitah Bet is so excited with the Chumash skills they have acquired. They are learning at a much quicker pace and actually learning one pasuk a day! They have become so proficient at recognizing their shorashim, high-frequency words, techiliot and sofiot that they are often able to translate the psukim on their own. They also started preparing for Pesach, making their own "bag of plagues," while learning Parsha during the last few weeks.



Mrs. Rubenstein's class (second grade general studies) read several poems related to their study of animals in their *WONDERS* reading anthology. On February 10th, the second grade will be taking a trip to the Pikesville library to begin a special project. The children are thinking about an animal they would like to research in order to learn about its characteristics, its habitat, and the animal's ability to survive in the wild. In **technology class** with **Mrs. Taragin**, the second grade class is learning how to format documents by formatting a poem called, "The Crayon Box that Talked" by Shane DeRolf. Besides learning technology, the class discussed the concepts in the poem in relation to what they learned about Dr. Martin Luther King.

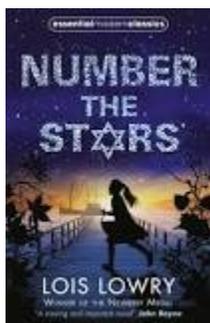


Morah Avigayil's Kitah Gimel completed letters in Hebrew to their sister class in Ashkelon as part of the "Shevet Achim" twinning program. They are being hand delivered to their friends there by the head of the Baltimore CJE Shevet Achim program.

Mrs. Mann's third grade is continuing to work on sharpening their reading comprehension skills. Last week, they utilized Venn Diagrams, and the students worked with a partner to compare & contrast each others! Afterwards the third graders worked on examining a non-fiction article comparing and contrasting backpacking and camping. The students also started working on their cursive writing by using our program "Handwriting Without Tears." In **technology class** with **Mrs. Taragin**, the third graders have begun learning how to "code." They are using a children's coding program, *Scratch*, developed by MIT. The children already have their sprites walking back and forth on their screens. It is very exciting for them to see what they can do. This week



they were able to Skype with a quick hello to their “Skype-pal” (since Kindergarten), Mrs. Taragin’s great niece Batsheva, who is also in third grade in Modiin, Israel.



Kol Hakavod to **Mrs. Mann’s fourth-fifth grade** for their presentation on MLK day. Last week, the fourth-fifth grade students received their *Number the Stars* books in preparation for literature circles, which began this week. The students and Mrs. Mann spent some time discussing some of the themes they will find in the book as they read an article about the author, Lois Lowry. Mrs. Mann’s novel study of *Number the Stars* features a literature circle approach. This approach has the students working in mixed-ability groups to collaborate on various language skills. The class has been divided into four groups. Each Tuesday, the students will read two new chapters in a modality that suits each individual. For example, some students will read independently, some with a partner, some with the teacher, and some will even have an opportunity to listen to the book on tape. Afterward, the groups will meet to discuss their reading, and each individual will begin working on his/her role for that week. An example of a literature role is the Word Wizard. The Word Wizard will be responsible for identifying words the group may need help with and incorporating given vocabulary words from the teacher into a vocabulary chart. The Word Wizard will use different techniques for figuring out what the word means: using context clues, using a dictionary, etc. After each student in the literature circle has completed his/her role, the groups will meet to share their ideas and thoughts. The students will also have an opportunity to use literature task cards, which will guide discussions on key themes, ideas, character development, plot, and much more. The groups will have a journal to record their thoughts and a binder to place completed literature circle roles. At the end of their novel study, the students will have a running record of their growth from week one all the way to the end.

The fourth and fifth graders were very excited to come to **Mrs. Taragin’s technology class** this week, because each student received an iPad to use in school to enhance their learning.



Rabbi Bennett’s 4-5 grade boys have moved on to the 8th perek of Brachot. This perek deals with many arguments between Beit Shamai and Beit Hillel relating to halachot (laws) of eating a meal. This includes some basic laws of Havdalah on Motzei Shabbat. In learning about the brachot relating to a meal, the class separated brachot into 3 different categories: those made before mitzvot, those made before deriving physical benefit, and those made strictly as praise and thanks to Hashem.

Mrs. Shulman’s 4-5 girls: Kudos to Grace Larsen and Basi Gunzburg who are the editors of the Navi Newspaper’s article, which shows interviews with the shoftim (judges) of old. Please see pages 6 and 7 to see these articles.



Morah Shulman’s class is also preparing for Pesach. They have begun their unit on the makkot. For each makkah, they fill out a special chart that categorizes certain patterns and details. They are preparing other surprises about the makkot which will be added to their class haggadot. In addition to learning about the makkot in Chumash, Morah Shulman and our science teacher, Ms. McCown, are planning a cross-curricular class where they will dissect a frog!

NAVI NEWS

Interview with Devorah by Basi

Basi: Welcome back to Navi Newspaper with Devorah.

Devorah: Hi, everybody! Oh! I just dropped my torch.

Basi: Devorah, let me ask you some questions.
My first question is: What is your husband's name?

Devorah: My husband's name is President Of My Heart, Barak.

Basi: Why did President Of My Heart Barak ask you to go with him to collect Naphtali and Zevulun? And is his real name President of My Heart Barak?

Devorah: Two reasons. One, he loves me. Two, if I hadn't gone, he thought we would lose the war. And his name is Barak.

Basi: What did you say to Barak when he asked if you could go?

Devorah: I said, "People are going to make fun of you."

Basi: what did he say back to you?

Devorah: "I don't care! You're my loviadoo!"

Basi: Wow! You guys love each other so much! How did Yael kill Sisera?

Devorah: Well, it's a gross story, but I'll tell you anyway.
Yael took a nail from the tent and stuck it in his head.

Basi: She's pretty brave! How did Sisera get to Yael's tent?

Devorah: He ran! Duh!

Basi: Wouldn't Sisera win? He had so many more soldiers than Barak.

Devorah: Hashem made a nes.

Basi: What was the nes?

Devorah: Hashem made everybody confused.

Basi: Where did you judge?

Devorah: I judged on my personal mountain, because I'm, like, so rich.

Basi: Where did Barak fight?

Devorah: He fought on Har Tavor.

Basi: Last question: Who was the king that ruled?

Devorah: Yavin. I hate him and his name.

Basi: Thank you for reading Navi Newspaper. Next up, Gideon!

Devorah: Hey, you got it right for the first time!



Devorah with Barak and others



Yael killing Sisera

Hello! Welcome back to Navi Newspaper. Presenting... Ehud Ben Gara!
Interviewer Grace asked Ehud these following questions!

Grace: Has HaSHem ever given you a message?

Ehud: I got a message from HaSHem many times.

Grace: I see the story on how you killed Eglon. That was very interesting. What was your favorite part?

Ehud: Killing him of course. You ask boring questions. Step it up a bit.

Grace: Okay. I was not expecting that answer. Why was that your favorite part?

Ehud: Two reasons: One, he was very mean to the Jews, and Two: Because I like to kill!

Grace: Wow! You were supposed to be a calm man! Let's move on. Where did you hide your sword when you came to the palace? This is my favorite part!

Ehud: Just getting the job done. I always did whatever I could think of to finish my tasks. I hid my sword under my cloak.

Grace: Can you say that again?

Ehud: Under my robes.

Interviewer: Again?

Ehud: **ARE YOU SERIOUS! I'M LEAVING!**

Grace: Wait! Wait! You don't have to say it again. I'll ask you another question. How about, I know! How long was there peace?

Ehud: About 80 years.

Grace: Wow that's a long time! A-A-A-choo! Sorry, I have a cold.

Ehud: Refuah shelaima! Get better soon!

Grace: That's it for Ehud. Next up... Deborah

Ehud: No Devorah (whisper)

Grace: Sorry. It's Devorah.

Ehud: A girl **טופט** (judge) (Ehud faints)

Grace: Call 9-1-1. Hatzala! We have a dead **טופט** (judge)

Me'ohr'aot Ohr Chadash-Happenings in our Ohr Chadash Family

- Mazal tov to our 2nd grade GS teacher, Mrs. Mary Sue Rubenstein and her husband Arthur, on the engagement of their son Joel to Molly Winkler.
- Condolences to Ms. Frayda Breitowitz (Abbi, Grade 1) on the loss of her grandmother.

Happy January Birthdays



Happy February Birthdays

Eliana Barnoy—PreK 4	Sarah Chaya Mako—3
Shuli Friedman—PreK4	Lexi Polirer—3
Alina Rosen—1	Reem Jedwab—4
Chanan Finkelstein—2	Yair Reich—5

Yeshai Applebaum —PreK 3	Moshe Scott — 1
Judah Fishbein — PreK4	Racheli Schwarzenberger — 1
Naava Applebaum — K	Maayan Krupp — 2
Yakir Applebaum — K	Ayala Goffin — 4

Days of Learning



1/28 --- Rabbi Shimon and Mrs Robin Levine (Zaydie and Bubby) sponsored in honor of Lexi's birthday.

1/29 --- Faye Kaufman, grandmother of Shuli Friedman, sponsored in honor of Shuli's birthday.

1/30 --- Mrs. Annie Shimanovich sponsored in honor of the yartzeit of Dov Ben Avraham Yitzchok, Morah Ellie Shulman's Zeyde

Re-enrollment for Next Year

Re-enrollment for **current** students is now open. You will be receiving a large white envelope in the mail that contains the re-enrollment contract for your child. This package also contains instructions on how to complete the re-enrollment process on-line. This is a two-step process. Please note that the signed enrollment contract must be returned to the office along with your deposit AND the on-line process completed before your child has been re-enrolled for next year. There is no fee for re-enrollment of current students.

Applications for **new students/siblings** is on-going. There is a lot of interest in our early childhood learning center for next year so the spots are going quickly. Applications for new students/siblings is done through our website. You are encouraged to apply now for new students/siblings as the application fee will increase on February 15th from \$200 to \$300. If you have any questions about either process, please call Pat Scullen at the school office.

OCA-PTA News

Lanie Carter and Rena Einbinder, Presidium

Dear Parents,

Believe it or not Purim will be here before you know it! OCA PTA will be selling (new and improved) Purim cards this year. Stay tuned for more information about purchasing Purim cards.

A few notes about Hot Lunch - once you have purchased hot lunch we cannot modify or change your order in any way. If your child will be absent, you can give his or her lunch to a sibling or another student or make arrangements with OCA PTA for the lunch to be saved, but we will not be able to refund any payments or save the order until next time. Also, please note that on Monday March 9th there is no school for the preschool. Those students receiving hot lunch on Mondays will have a make up day. We will send details closer to that date. Any hot lunch days missed for inclement weather will be made up, likely at the end of the year.

Thank you to the Gonsler Family for sponsoring Motzei Shabbat Family learning in honor of Zayde Gonsler. Your generosity is very much appreciated! Please contact ocapta@ohrchadashbaltimore.org if you would like to be a sponsor. We look forward to seeing you this Motzei Shabbat at OCA at 7pm.

Remember we still have plenty of OCA T-shirts and sweatshirts available for purchase in the office. Stop in and pick one up for your child. T-shirts are \$10 and sweatshirts \$18.

As always, remember the easy ways that you can support OCA PTA:

Target

Sign up your card for their Take Charge of Education Program:
<http://www.target.com/tcoe> (our school ID is 153097)

Giant

Sign up your card for their A+ Rewards Program:
<http://www.giantfood.com/savings-and-rewards/rewards-program/aplus/?requestid=1228038>

Amazon

Bookmark this link and use it every time you shop:
<http://www.amazon.com/?&tag=ohrchadashbaltimore-20&camp=212361&creative=392013&linkCode=wsu&>

Lovable Labels

Buy your personalized labels for all occasions here:
<http://www.ohrchadash.lovablelabels.ca/>

Box Tops

Please save us your Box Tops! Each Rosh Chodesh they will collect them and have a raffle for a free Pizza for all families that participate! Mazel Tov to the Levi family for winning the Rosh Chodesh Shevat Raffle.

Shabbat Shalom,

Lanie and Rena



Maccabeats Concert



The Maccabeats are coming back to Baltimore! Ohr Chadash will be hosting the Maccabeats at our Annual Concert that will be held on March 8, 2015 at 3:00 PM in the Sagner Auditorium at Beth Tfiloh. Tickets are on sale now at www.ocaconcert.com. Amazing opening act by the Orthobox.

We will be honoring Amian and Yossi Kelemer. Amian is the Chair of the Education Committee on the OCA Board of Directors. For the last three years, her leadership has been instrumental in the educational initiatives of the school. There will be

a VIP reception in their honor prior to the concert for sponsorships of \$360 and up. Additionally, you have the opportunity to place a tribute in their honor in a virtual journal.

Inclement Weather Alerts



Sign up and opt-in to OCA's emergency text alert system. This will ensure that you receive emergency text alerts from Ohr Chadash on your cell phone. You are encouraged to opt-in for text alerts in general in the event that instant notification would be needed for an emergency.

If you did not already sign up last year, please do the following to opt-in to the system:

Subject Line: OCA, **Text to** 292929

If you already receive text alerts from the JCC, or any other Call-Em-All client, you will need to change the subject line to: **Subject Line:** JOIN OCA

You should receive a text back confirming that you are signed up for the service. If you do not get a text back saying that you are signed up, you may need to check with your cell carrier to make sure that you do not have a "short code block" on your phone.

An e:mail will also be sent to everyone on the OCA e:mail list.

You may call the school office after 7:00 am to check if any late openings or closures have been posted.

Please check either WBAL-TV or radio (1090 AM) for other delay or weather related announcements.

If you have any questions concerning the above, feel free to call or e:mail the school office.

Yom Hakdasha - a Day of Dedication

Ohr Chadash Academy proudly announces the creation of Yom Hakdasha, a Day of Dedication.

We believe in being our students' home away from home, because they know that every child brings something of "home" with them when they enter the building. As an expression of being a school family, we instituted a Dedicated Day of Learning program – a *Yom Hakdasha* – to provide you with the opportunity to dedicate a day of learning in honor of a student or in memory of a loved one.

Dedications can be made for yahrzeits, birthdays, Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, academic achievement, receiving a first siddur or chumash, or any other occasion. On the day of dedication, if a student is being honored, they are honored with holding the American and Israeli flags.

If you are interested in participating in this exciting opportunity, please contact the school office at office@ohrchadashbaltimore.org.

Volunteers Opportunity

We are looking for volunteers to help with our upcoming concert in March. Right now we need people who can call businesses for sponsorships. While ticket sales are important, most of the money OCA raises comes from the generous businesses and individuals in the community who sponsor the event. Making just 10 calls will be a huge help to your school. Please contact Terri Rosen at trosen@ohrchadashbaltimore.org if you can be part of this mitzvah. Thank you! We are also looking for volunteers to help with Grandparents Day and the Book Fair. If you are available to volunteer, please con-

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Contact : ruth@goldstarfurniture.com - [410-935-2063](tel:410-935-2063)

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Our school ID is 153097



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Ohr Chadash Tzedakah Scrip

If you are interested in ordering Agudah Scrip to benefit OCA, please send an email to ttaragin@ohrchadashbaltimore.org. or call 410-484-3931. If you give tzedakah to meshulachim (tzedakah collectors) at your door or in shul, using Agudah Scrip, a portion goes to our school. It is an easy way for OCA to get tzedakah too. It was conceived years ago, so that all our tzedakah money does not leave the city, but in addition, helps the local institutions (they receive the difference between the amount on the face of the scrip and the cost). The amounts available are:

50 cents scrip cost \$.75	\$4.00 scrip which costs \$5.00
\$1 scrip which costs \$1.25	\$8.00 scrip which costs \$10
\$2.50 scrip which costs \$3.00	\$20 scrip which costs \$25

Checks are to be made out to Agudah of Baltimore. Ordered scrip can be picked up in the school office or at the home of Tova and Alan Taragin. Arrangements can be made for delivery.

A Must See - Special Guest
THE AMAZING ORTHOBOX
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THE MACCABEATS

Featuring Songs from Their New Album "One Day More"

Sunday, March 8, 2015 at 3:00pm | Beth Tfiloh Sagner Auditorium



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- Doors open 2:30pm
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For further information, email concert@ohrchadashbaltimore.org
or call 410.602.2686

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Join OCA-PTA for Motzei Shabbat Family Learning!

Dates and times below. As always, there will be pizza, raffles, and fun!

Frequent attendees will receive a great prize at the end of the season!



November 8—At OCA 6:40 PM

November 15 -At OCA 6:40 PM

November 22 -At OCA 6:20 PM

November 29—No Family Learning

December 6—At Ner Tamid 6:45 PM

December 13—At OCA 6:40 PM

December 20— At OCA 6:40 PM

December 27—No Family Learning

January 3—At OCA 7:00 PM

January 10—At Ner Tamid 7:00 PM

January 17—At OCA 7:00 PM

January 24—At OCA 7:00 PM

January 31—At OCA 7:00 PM

February 7—at Ner Tamid 7:30 PM

February 14—at OCA 7:30 PM

February 21—at OCA 7:30 PM

February 28 —at OCA 7:45 PM

March 7 - at OCA 7:45 PM

Please contact ocapta@ohrchadashbaltimore.org with any questions or to sponsor a family learning session.

Our Book Fair

OHR CHADASH ACADEMY
7310 PARK HEIGHTS AVE
PIKESVILLE, MD 21208

Book Fair Chairperson:

 [Randi Orshan](#)

When & Where

Feb 20 - Feb 27

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Our Schedule

Fri, Feb 20 10:00 AM-12:00 PM	Grand Event: Bring your Grandparents and Special Friends!
Sat, Feb 21	Not Open -Good Shabbos
Sun, Feb 22	Be back tomorrow!
Mon, Feb 23 8:00 AM-3:30 PM	Teacher Preview: Special preview day for teachers and Preschool
Tues, Feb 24 5:30 PM-8:30 PM	Evening Family Event: Nacho Average Book Fair! Be a red hot reader!
Wed, Feb 25 3:30 PM-5:30 PM	After School Event: Come shop after you pick up at carpool!
Thurs, Feb 26 3:30 PM-5:30 PM	After School Event: Come shop after carpool!
Fri, Feb 27 8:30 AM-3:30 PM	Principal Activity: Watch Rabbi Margolese as he tangos with the books!

Our Book Fair is Coming!

The whole school is excited about our upcoming "Nacho Average" Book Fair. An amazing selection of books is headed our way!

At the Book Fair you will find the latest and finest titles for kids, as well as books of interest to parents.

Mark your calendar for our Family Event where the whole family can join in the fun on February 24th. You can contribute books to your child's classroom library as well. Come dressed up and join our Mexican fiesta!

The Book Fair is a great way to get everyone excited about reading. Here's a brief video that highlights the big dreams that can be realized through family reading:

<http://www.scholastic.com/bookfairs/family>

See you at the Book Fair!

Mrs. Randi Orshan & Mrs. Nancy Feierstein

Shop Online

If you are out of town or can't make it to our Book Fair, you can also help support our school by shopping online.

- Send wish lists to family and friends
- All orders ship free to the school
- Browse an expanded book selection - all ages through adult

Come back on **02/23** to Shop.

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What's at Our Fair

Check out some of the popular titles you may find at our Book Fair*.

[SEE A PREVIEW](#)

The previews include book descriptions and special features like author video clips and reading levels.

*Remember that not all books are available at all Fairs



Our Book Fair Goal

Thank you for helping us encourage kids to read!

200.0 Books

36000.0
Reading Minutes

\$1000.0
Book Fair Sales



All Book Fair Volunteers!

Love books? Volunteer to help at the Book Fair. You can decorate and set up, help kids select books, work on refreshments, give a book talk, or help pack up. There are lots of ways to participate.

[Let us know if you can volunteer.](#)

SUPPORT GROUP

For Parents of Children with Attention Issues
and Poor Executive Functioning

Offered by SHEMESH and CHADD of Greater Baltimore

Special speaker:

Barbara Howard, M.D.
Developmental Pediatrician
will discuss sleep
concerns of children
with Attention Issues

"Even though it was hard to get out of
the house, it was worth every minute."

"We shared tips, strategies and ideas.
I now know I'm not alone."

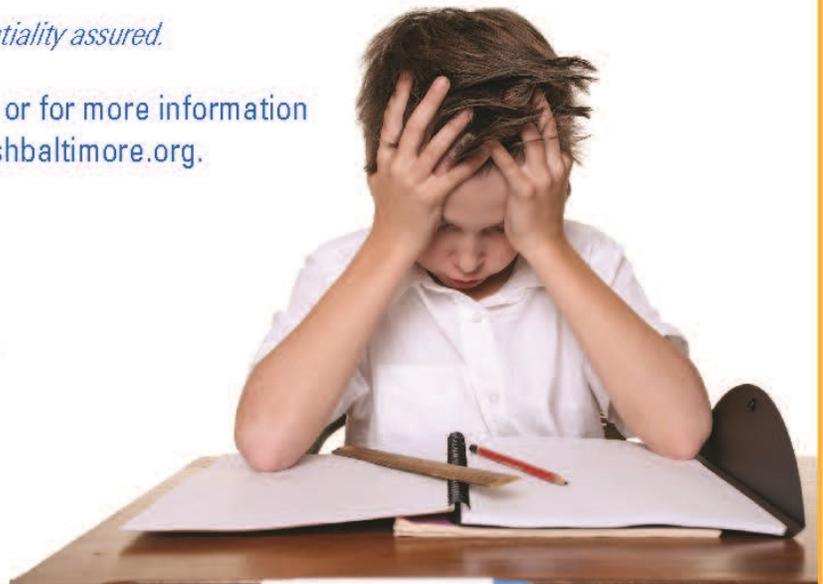
"Wow, that was phenomenal!
What a gift you have shared with
me and my family. Thank you!"

Wednesday, February 4, 2015
8:00-9:00 p.m.

Weinberg Park Heights JCC, Board Room | 5700 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore

There is no fee for attendance. Confidentiality assured.

Please contact Gila Haor to RSVP or for more information
at 410-843-7588 or ghaor@shemeshbaltimore.org.



SHEMESH presents a Jewish Disabilities Awareness Month Event
For Parents, Teachers and Professionals

A Rick Lavoie Video Presentation

It's So Much Work to Be Your Friend

Helping the Child with Learning Disabilities Find Social Success

Opening Remarks by Hinda Dubin, M.D.

Date: Monday, February 23, 2015

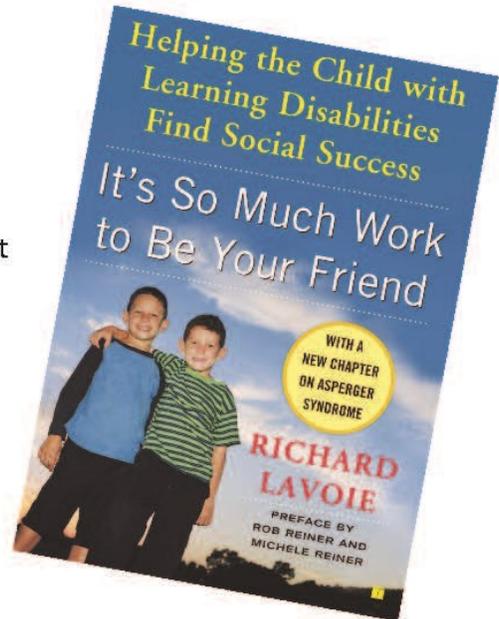
Time: 7:30 — 9:00 p.m.

Weinberg Park Heights JCC, Community Room
5700 Park Heights Avenue, Baltimore

It's So Much Work to Be Your Friend answers the most intense need of **parents, teachers and caregivers** of children with learning disabilities -- or anyone who knows a child who needs a friend.



Rick Lavoie is the author of many instructive books and videos, including the well-known *How Difficult Can This Be?* *The F.A.T. City Workshop* and *The Motivation Breakthrough: 6 Secrets to Turning On the Tuned-Out Child*.



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