

TORAS EMES ACADEMY OF MIAMI

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TEAM Spirit

TORAS EMES
ACADEMY OF MIAMI
Samuel Aba & Sisel Klurman
Elementary School
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



October 1, 2009
Friday Candle Lighting 6:49 PM

חג שמחה!



SUKKOS VACATION
Friday, October 2 - Monday, October 12

We hope you have a wonderful and meaningful vacation!

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Tuesday, October 13 - Classes Resume
8:00 AM-4:00PM

HASMODA

Our semi-annual extra curriculum learning program begins tomorrow, Friday, October 2 and runs through Monday, October 12. Please ask your children for the packet they received from their Torah Studies teacher today.

Thank you very much to our generous sponsors:

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LEV L'ACHIM

Our students are hard at work raising much needed funds for the important mission of Lev L'Achim of helping public school students enroll in Yeshivos in Eretz Yisrael. Deadline is Friday, October 16.



PIRCHEI HASMODA

Forms for the 71st Semi-Annual Hasmoda Contest of Pirchei Agudas Yisroel of America were sent home today with all boys. These forms must be mailed **directly to Pirchei Agudas Yisroel** and received at their office no later than Monday, October 19 in order to be eligible for the contest. The specific information and mailing address are on the entry form. **Note:** Pirchei Hasmoda begins today, Thursday, so take advantage and record all the learning you did today!

SIMCHAS BAIS HASHOEIVA

The Yeshiva will be holding its annual Simchas Bais Hashoeiva on Monday evening, October 5 at 8:30 PM at Yeshiva Toras Chaim, 1025 Northeast Miami Gardens Drive. Please join us for live music, refreshments and lots of Ruach and dancing.



TV CONTROL

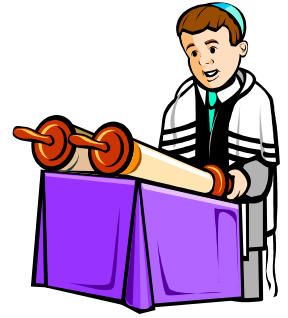
The end of Yom Kippur marked the completion of our Aseres Yemei Teshuva TV/Video/DVD Control Program. Once again, we would like to commend the students and parents for their hard work and Mesiras Nefesh in completing this project so successfully!

We look forward to our next exciting TV Control Program, which will take place, IY"H on Chanukah.

MAZEL TOV

To Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Braunschweiger and family on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Avraham Moshe.

To Rabbi and Mrs. Yaakov Flamholtz and family on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, our alumnus, Yitzi.



REFUAH SHELAIMA

- " Tova *bas* Rochel
- " Ruchama Aliza Sara Chana *bas* Esther Leba
- " Chaya Yachet Elka *bas* Chana Rochel
- " Bina *bas* Chaya
- " Liora *bas* Miriam
- " Bracha Shifra *bas* Mindel Fraide
- " Yafit *bas* Elinor
- " Chaim *ben* Breindl Bracha
- " Yechiel Tzvi *ben* Leah Rochel
- " Yitzchak Moshe *ben* Shoshana
- " Mordechai *ben* Ora Yehudis
- " Yosef Chaim *ben* Naomi

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Just a few weeks left to get all those box tops in! We cannot afford to slow down now... the October 30 deadline is just around the corner! Any boxtops still lying around the house or sitting in your 'junk drawer' should be sent in to school when we return from vacation. We will be mailing in all of the box tops at the end of October for our semi-annual reimbursement check.

Please remember to continue to collect box tops after the deadline. The collection will continue throughout the year so do not throw away any box tops! You'll be surprised at how many you will find while you are enjoying the Sukkos vacation! Yasher Koach and thank you for the continued incredible success of this project!

Erev Sukkos 5770

Dear Parents,

Sukkos – Zman Simchaseynu; The Time of Our Joy. One reason the Rabbis give for *Sukkos* being specifically designated as the time for *Simcha*, above all the other *Yomim Tovim*, is its proximity to the *Yomim Noraim*; right after we have achieved a *Kapara*, atonement from *Hashem*, is a very fitting moment to be *B'Simcha*.

Perhaps we can suggest another connection between the *Yomim Noraim* and *Simcha*. Much of our focus in the process of *Teshuva* and *Tefila* was directed towards imbibing the realization that *Hashem* controls all events in our lives. What happens to us is not happenstance, not accidental. *Hashem* orchestrates all circumstances, large and small, for the express purpose of helping us fulfill the purpose for which we were put on this earth. Thinking deeply into this concept brings a person great joy – my life has meaning, everything that happens has a purpose, ultimately, everything is for the good. A person with this attitude can't help but be *B'Simcha*. Therefore, what better time of the year to celebrate with *Simcha*, than right after *Yom Kippur*?

We are instructed to take the lessons of each *Yom Tov* and carry it throughout the year. How do we achieve *Simcha* during our daily lives, with all the pressures and frustrations? How do we imbibe this attitude in our children? Most people believe some people were born with a sunny disposition, and others were not. It's just the way it is. Nothing could be further from the truth. A person can train him or herself to react to the vicissitudes of life with a more positive attitude. But, even if it's an enormous struggle for an adult to change his attitude, we have the opportunity to shape our children's attitude, before any negativity gets ingrained.

How can that be done? I'm a "the glass is half-empty" type of person, you may say, so how can I impart something different to my children? Ask yourself – is that a good enough reason to perpetuate an attitude of potential misery on your kids? There are practical steps that can be taken. When your children come home from school, train yourself to ask – "What was the best thing that happened today in school?" "What's your favorite class/activity in school?" At the breakfast or dinner table – ask each person seated around the table – "tell me one good thing that happened to you today." "What was the best part of your trip/activity/play date?" The opportunities for finding good are endless. They simply require our focus and attention.

We can help our children to learn optimism as a life attitude. A small redirecting of our conversations and focus when they're young can help *Simcha* be a central feature of their personality – throughout their lives.

Have a wonderful, *Simcha*-filled *Chag* and year.

With Best Wishes,

Rabbi Kalman Baumann
Principal



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שמחת בית השואבה

Simchas Bais HaShoaiva - Annual Succos Experience!

MONDAY NIGHT, CHOL HAMOED SUCCOS

OCTOBER 5, 2009

8:30 - 11:00 P.M.

1025 NE MIAMI GARDENS DRIVE

NORTH MIAMI BEACH



*Live Music!
Lots of
Ruach and Dancing!*

Refreshments!!



*Need more information?
Call the Yeshiva at 305-944-5344
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