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DATES TO REMEMBER

Up Coming Events

March

28/29: 7th gr. Shabbaton in Queens

April

4-5: 8th Gr. Yachad Shabbaton in W.P.

14: Gr. 5 Pesach Production 9:30 a.m.

16-28: No Sessions (Pesach)

29: Sessions Resume

NOTE: Tuesday, May 13, 2008:

No Sessions for 2 year olds, Ganon & Kindergarten - Early Childhood teachers will be attending a BJE Conference. Thank you!



... Last Thursday evening, our families joined with the Orienta Synagogue for a Megillah reading and break-fast. The beautiful Megillah reading was led by our 8th grade boys. We thank Rabbi Rosenwasser for teaching them how to *lain*.

School Happenings

At the invitation of Mamaroneck Mayor Savolt and the Board of Trustees, our 3rd grade students opened the Village of Mamaroneck Board of Trustees meeting on Monday evening with the Pledge of Allegiance and the Star Spangled Banner. The children were amazing and represented their school and community beautifully. Mazel Tov to all! Yasher Koach!



7th Gr. Shabbaton in Kew Gardens

Our 7th graders will be spending this Shabbat in Kew Gardens along with Rabbi Einzig, Rabbi Rosenwasser, Rabbi Weiss, Rabbi Leiman and their families. Rabbi Rosenwasser organized this special Shabbaton and arranged for over 10 host families. More on this next week....

5th Grade World's Fair at WDS..

The theme for this year's fair was: "Together We Are One." Over 35 countries from every part of the world were represented with fabulous displays, activities and food from their native country. Each pavilion featured a flag, map, historical time line and economic products from each country. Finally, the highlight of each pavillion was a model of a famous tourist site from that country. Students in grades K-8 and many, many parents & friends visited this amazing fair and learned a great deal from our 5th graders. Thanks to Mr. "T" for organizing this spectacular event.



For more photos go to: LoHud.com
Photos, Daily (WDS is on page 2)

8th Graders Visit Matzah Bakery



In preparation for the upcoming holiday of Pesach, the 8th graders took a special trip to Brooklyn where they toured a Shmurah Matzah Bakery. All the intricate halachot were explained and were on exhibit as we walked through the bakery and watched the bakers "in action" feverishly preparing for Pesach. We were privileged to have a private meeting with the Kaliver Rebbe, a world renowned scholar and sage. After an inspiring speech made by the Rebbe, each student received a beautiful bracha from him. From there, we enjoyed a wonderful lunch at "Greens Pizza". We had an amazing trip and really appreciated it. Thanks to Rabbi Leiman, Rabbi Morgenstern & Rabbi Rosenwasser for planning & chaperoning this trip. We hope to have many more trips just as great. Submitted by: David Moskovich & Shuli Just-Michael (8th grade students)



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Torah Bowl: The end of the Torah Bowl season took place on Monday at MDS. The boys advanced to the second round of the playoffs by defeating Ramaz.. The girls' season ended in the first round. Congratulations on a great season to the following students who represented WDS so well: Michael Kesselman, Amy Robbins, Tani Einzig, Elizabeth Alexander, Suri Bandler, Aaron Reich, Danielle Blustein, Gabi Rudansky, Erica Kiderman, Aryeh Schonbrun, Sarah Koutcher, Nechemiah Zemel and Ariela Weinberger.
... On Wednesday, the 8th Graders participated in a special assembly in preparation for their upcoming Yachad Shabbaton. Sara Casdan, the director of Junior Yachad, gave a presentation to our students on how best to interact with children with handicaps. A video was shown, and our students were very inspired. Submitted by Rabbi Weiss

Mazel Tov To

...Morah Judy Heching & family on the upcoming Bar Mitzvah of her grandson

Hockey News:

The Hockey Championship Game will be played on Tuesday, April 1st. - 8:00 p.m. at DRS High School for Boys, 700 Ibsen Street, Woodmere, NY. More info call: (516) 295-7700. Come and support the WDS "Wild" Hockey players !!!



School Spirit - RUACH Basketball News...



From the opening tip and the very first basket (scored by Amanda Povman) the WDS Lady Wildcats never lost control of a game which ended in a score of 37-30. It gave our 7th & 8th grade girls not only the Metropolitan Yeshiva Day School Basketball League championship but the first undefeated championship season in WDS' history. In this exciting, unbelievably well played match-up with R.P.R.Y., our girls demonstrated their skill both offensively and defensively - stealing the ball over and over again and converting these turn-overs into game winning baskets. The talents of graduating 8th graders: **Tamara Sastow, Rebecca Shachter, Suri Bandler, Julia Goldman, Rachel Mirsky and Rachelle Shapiro** along with the incredible ball handling and shooting of 7th grade stars: **Amanda Povman, Nina Leibowitz and Arlyn Goldberg**, made this final victory one that will be re-lived for many years to come. Along with team mates **Eliyan Cymrot (8th grader), Michele Bengualid, and Amy Robbins**, our girls have shown throughout this record setting season that hard work, good sportsmanship and team work are key ingredients to a winning season. Thanks to our classmates, parents, teachers, and friends for cheering us on throughout the season. Yea! to Coach K. Also thanks to our amazing bus driver, Vinny, who drives us to all our games.



Clips From The Classroom

Ganon Bet: *Ma nishtanah halayla hazeh---*
We're practicing for our special job at our family seder. We have already learned two Questions! We baked flat matzah by mixing flour and water in a hurry, using no yeast. Even though we baked it in our oven instead of under the desert sun, it was crunchy and delicious. We made beautiful matzah covers to use at our family seder. Why do we eat maror? We tasted bitter horseradish. Our taste buds didn't like it, but it reminded us of our bitter life when we were slaves in Mitzrayim. Lots of people do hard work, but a slave can never say, "I think I'll get a different job!" We collected reeds at the beach to weave into baskets for our own Baby Moshe. We placed them in the "river" in our classroom, hidden in the bulrushes. We have planted parsley seeds and we hope to have our own supply of karpas for the seder! Submitted by: Morah Tovah Rosenstock & Morah Judith Zaretsky

8J: The students discovered who, in their family tree, they most closely resemble. After making a family tree and questioning family members about their dominant traits, the students deduced whose genes they had received. They also learned which of their traits were dominant. While reading novels that are Newberry Award winners, the students are writing the beginnings of their own novels. They are also analyzing poetry and writing poetic memoirs of their own lives, including memories of WDS, which will be published in the 2008 yearbook. Submitted by: Mrs. Lois Rednick



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Physical Education:

It is fitness time at WDS! We have begun the National Presidential Fitness Program and are currently testing our students. The tests focus on agility - strength-speed and endurance and to date, our students are really doing well. As spring has begun, we look forward to being outside on our beautiful fields as we begin units in softball and tennis. We will bring volley ball out-of-doors and make use of the extra-ordinary facilities we are so fortunate to have!
Submitted by: Arlene Lewis & Frank Kaufman

Volunteers Needed! Ms. Golin needs volunteers to help with the mounting of the art work which will be displayed at our gala Yom Ha'atzmaut Program (May 8th) on Mondays from 9:00 - 12:00 and 3:00 - 4:00, also on Thursdays from 9:30 -12:00. If you can help, please email Ms. Golin at sgolin@westchesterday.org or call ext. 325.

PTA Corner...

Once again the candy sale was a huge success. Congratulations to our top seller Avi Fried (2H) who sold over \$1,000.00. Thank you to everyone who participated. A big thank you to the following students: Adam Pachter, Jared Danzer, Josh Stern and Brad Simon for giving their time to help distribute the candy. If there are any discrepancies, please see Jennifer Lorber or Lisa Reich. Have a Happy Passover!

MIDDOT MATTER

Our focus on Middot and Kavod has truly heightened our children's awareness of what it means to be a model citizen and a person of character. We would like to commend the following **middle school children** who have displayed Kavod inside and outside of the classroom by not receiving any Missing Middot Memos throughout this second trimester. Each of these children publicly received a pin of recognition for their positive role-modeling. Yasher Kochachem! This has been a message from WDS - a place where Middot Matter and Kavod counts.

Jacob M. Aboodi
Joseph J. Adler
Elizabeth S. Alexander
Hallie S. Alpert
Jonathan R. Arensen
Suri C. Bandler
Michele S. Bengualid
Dyana Beretz
Mikaella L. Bernstein
Nicole E. Bernstein
Rachel A. Blumenthal
Ellie R. Bonime
Gabriel M. Brainson
Edith Chess
Eliyan M. Cymrot
Benjamin L. Dalezman
Alex Dubro
Alexandra J. Eagle
Netanel S. Einzig
Joel M. Eliach
Deborah Farago
Joshua M. Fischler
Samantha Fischler
Tamara S. Freudenstein
Danielle A. Garfunkel
Joshua B. Garfunkel
Joshua M. Goldschmidt
Justin A. Grant
Shira Greenberg
Yaella M. Halper
Daniella F. Herman
Jonathan S. Herman
Sammy E. Horowitz
Shulamit Just-Michael
Ethan Katz

Emily Katzenstein
Michael Y. Kesselman
Erica Kiderman
Michelle L. Kleiman
Rebecca I. Klestzick
Sara A. Koutcher
Adam J. Lebovic
Bonnie A. Leventhal
Sofie R. Levinson
Julia R. Malits
Rebecca Malits
Sara B. Mancuso
Ariel R. Marantz
Akiva R. Marder
Rachel S. Mirsky
Melanie S. Moore
David Moskovich
Rachel Nass
Adam Z. Pachter
Nicole S. Polinsky
Amanda G. Povman
Matthew D. Povman
Aaron F. Reich
Jenna A. Reich
Nicole S. Reich
Zachary A. Reich
Lital S. Ritvo
Amy N. Robbins
Aryeh M. Schonbrun
Abigail C. Schwartz
Etan A. Shachter
Rebecca L. Shachter
Jillian Shapiro
Rachelle Shapiro
Bradley R. Simon
Samuel J. Smigel
Aaron J. Toporovsky
Zachary M. Ungar
Sarah Veltman
Penina A. Vinas
Alexa S. Wachtenheim
Ariela Y. Weinberger
Stephanie L. Weinstein
Rachel J. Weintraub
Emily C. Weisbrot
Jeremy P. Wilson
Aryeh Y. Zapinsky
Sophia A. Zeitz
Nechemiah U. Zemel



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Community News....

Sunday, March 30 2:00 pm

The 2008 AIPAC Westchester

Community -Wide Event: **Faith and Action:**

The Impact of Pro-Israel at the
Larchmont Temple (75 Larchmont Ave

For more info call 212-750-4110 or

dgreenwald@aipac.org

Sunday, March 30 4:00-7:00 pm

The Young Israel of White Plains

Sisterhood Spring Boutique at 135 Old

Mamaroneck Ave. For more info call

646-271-1117

Sunday, March 30 9:30am to 2:15pm

The Second Annual Riverdale Women's
Health and Halacha Day. For further info,
call (718) 548-1850 or visit

<http://rjconline.org/hhd.pdf>.

Wednesday, April 2 7:00-10:00 pm

The Young Israel of New Rochelle Women's
Spring Boutique. For more info, contact
Debbie Cohen (917) 750-9202 or Sandra
Weinstein at (917) 562-9741.

Sunday, April 6

The Young Israel of New Rochelle invites
you to celebrate the Chanukat Habayit at
their beautiful new building. In recognition
of this milestone, they will pay tribute to
Rabbi Reuven and Abby Fink as a Torah is
dedicated in their honor.

Sunday, April 6 1:00 - 6:00 pm

Westchester County-Wide Celebration of
Israel at 60 - to be held at Solomon
Schechter School, 555 Hartsdale Ave.
Hartsdale. For more info: 914 328-7001

Email: Sharon@wjconference.org

www.wjconference.org

Tuesday, April 8 6:30-9:30 pm.

The Young Israel of Scarsdale Sisterhood
Annual Pre Pesach Boutique. For more info
call: (914) 632 8870