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Rabbi Yaakov Sadigh
Head of School

Since my first year as Head of School at Katz Hillel Day School, I have been speaking a lot about the topic of teaching our children resilience. In my closing remarks for this school year, I want to share another important lesson I recently learned about this ever-so-important topic.

The Midrash says that forty years before Shmuel was born, a Bat Kol, a Heavenly Voice proclaimed, "A child is going to be born who will be on the same level as Moshe and Aharon, and Shmuel will be his name." The Midrash says that all the expecting women at the time named their sons Shmuel upon giving birth, in the hope that perhaps their son was the baby the Bat Kol, Heavenly Voice, spoke about. When the real Shmuel, son of Chana, was born, the voice ceased, and everyone knew that he was the real Shmuel, the prophet of Israel.

The commentators share a fascinating insight on this Midrash. They explain that all those babies who were called Shmuel in the hope of being the prophet, all merited to have prophecy as well. How were they privileged to reach such a level? Our Chachamim explain that every mother truly believed that their son would be the prophet Shmuel. She therefore educated him from the time of birth in the ways of the Torah, watching what he ate, and how he spoke, helped refine his middot, and encouraged him to surround himself with good friends. Every one of these mothers had high expectations for their boys, and they all amounted to someone special.



Rabbi Deon Nathan
Executive Director

As you read this issue of the *Hillel Herald*, you are hopefully enjoying a wonderful summer vacation for the kids and some quality family time. While the end of the school year was hectic, the weeks following, and the remainder of the summer are even more hectic for our facilities staff. The week

between school ending and **Camp Ruach** beginning was one of the only opportunities we had all year to do extensive facilities maintenance and upgrades. This year we were busier than ever with the following projects:

- New impact doors throughout the entire campus with upgraded access control
- Refurbishment of the bleachers and basketball hoops in the gym
- The installation of a new emergency notification system, which replaces the 30-year-old fire alarm system in the elementary school and Cafetorium buildings. A similar system for the gym and middle school building will be installed as soon as permits are received from the county.
- New copy machines have been installed which are faster and quieter.

I could not leave KHDS without a personal thank you and goodbye. My family and I moved to Boca two years ago to join this amazing school and I am forever grateful for **Mr. Daniel Katz** and **Rabbi Sadigh** who gave me this opportunity.

In a day and age where we are prone to coddle and jump in front of our children (something that I struggle with myself), we should set realistic goals for our children. We should challenge them to push themselves and aspire to greatness.

We at KHDS feel fortunate to partner with parents who share this attainable value. As the saying goes, "Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss, you'll land among the stars."

Wishing you a healthy and happy summer!



On June 1st, KHDS had the honor of hosting Knesset member, Ofir Sofer, Minister of Aliyah and Integration. After a warm welcome, and singing from our elementary school students, he addressed Middle School students and answered questions.

Rabbi Sadigh and I have become lifelong friends, and I have had the opportunity to work with so many amazing colleagues. I also had the wonderful ability to build a relationship with many of the middle school students through teaching and chaperoning some of their trips.

KHDS is an amazing school with all the ingredients to continue to become even better. The Boca community continues to grow with surrounding areas also expanding. The school has a wonderful staff and strong leadership. The education that is being provided is top notch by national standards, and the educational and extracurricular programs that are offered are truly second to none. I expect nothing less than true greatness and look forward to checking in and marveling in the progress.



Hadassah Smolarcik
Judaic Studies Principal, Grades 1-8

A Chassid once asked his Rebbe, "When Mashiach comes, how will I recognize him?" The Rebbe answered, "The more important question is how will Mashiach recognize you?" As I sit to write this article, Klal Yisrael has just finished celebrating Chag Hashavuot and Matan Torah. Every child at KHDS

understands the significance of the Chag and the receiving of the Torah at Har Sinai, thanks to the dedicated and untiring teachers who instill in their students the love of Torah and Mitzvot. For over 3,335 years, Torah has been transmitted to each generation - wherever Jews were forced to wander and relocate, the Torah went with them and they lived and continue to live according to the laws of the Torah. It is truly a privilege and honor for each educator to know that we are part of this process. We teach our children to be proud of their unique heritage, where the Founder is none other than the Creator of the world. He gave us the Torah as the guide for how we should live and how to carry His wish for us to be a light unto the nations. The Torah lays out the details of how we relate to Hashem, and how to behave towards other human beings. It is quite the responsibility to transmit these lessons and make them meaningful for our children!

Recently I read of an elderly patient in a hospital that was seriously ill and hardly lucid. A nurse approached the patient to take his blood pressure and as soon as the patient felt the tightening of his arm, he began to recite the Bracha one makes upon putting the Tefillin Shel Yad. This reaction came from decades of meticulous devotion to performing the mitzvah of Tefillin. Learning Torah and performing mitzvot are not only what we do but who we are. Our adherence and the taking of the lessons learned to heart instill in our reactions that hopefully become reflexive. We cannot merely keep the Torah but must also live it!

We are grateful to you, the parents, who value the importance of a Torah environment for your children. We are grateful to the teachers and dedicated volunteers who help support us financially and physically so that the students enjoy the sweetness of Torah.

How fortunate we are, how good is our lot, how pleasant is our heritage! Have a safe and enjoyable summer!



Mazal Tov to **Talya Zaretsky** for the achievement of receiving an invitation to New York to compete against fellow middle schoolers in the Chidon HaTanach. The **Jewish Agency** sends preliminary exams to schools during the school year (from

December to March). On the basis of those preliminary exams, the Chidon invites high scorers to the national finals in New York in May. Four champions from the contest in New York win the opportunity to represent the USA in the subsequent year's International Contest in Jerusalem, which is nationally televised in Israel on Yom Ha'atzmaut.



Students participated in a Hallel Tzibburi in honor of Rosh Chodesh Nissan.



Each month, the students who completed the **E.S.T.I.** Program (**E**very **S**habbat/**S**unday **T**efillah **I**nitiative) received a tasty treat as a reward.



Mrs. Yael Roth, our amazing Etgar Garden donor, visited to teach students about planting and growing rice.



Shireen Butman
General Studies Principal, Grades 1-8

In education, we often focus on the learning that takes place in the classroom as a barometer for student success and growth, but I want to add another dimension that I feel is critical to a well-rounded and rich student learning experience: the class field trip! In a time where many schools have had to cut their budgets for field trips due to a variety of fiscal or health related reasons, we at KHDS have aimed to continue in enhancing and

improving upon our students' experiential journey!

Let's take a moment to examine why field trips are good for students. One study found that incorporating field trips into a school's educational curriculum directly impacts a child's academic performance. A study by the U.S. Travel Association found that 59% of students who participate in field trips have higher grades than their peers. Additionally, it also discovered that field trips contribute to higher graduation rates and can also result in a higher earning potential during adulthood. In addition to the academic and professional benefits of field trips, one of the study's most notable findings was that 89% of those surveyed believed that the field trips they took in school made them more inquisitive and engaged in the world around them.

There are six primary reasons why field trips are important: *enhancing learning, greater student engagement and improved retention, broadening horizons, enhanced critical thinking, social emotional development, and career exploration.* As I look back upon this year, I am so proud of the range and depth of what our students have learned in general studies, in particular through the incredible offerings of our department's field trips! Our students explored alligators in their natural habitat of the Everglades; studied marine life in the Keys; went behind the scenes at **JetBlue** operations; experienced Apollo lift offs at the **Kennedy Space Center**; felt the pain from the testimonial of a child of a Holocaust survivor while visiting **The Holocaust Resource and Education Center of Florida in Orlando**; and lastly, learned about sustainable agriculture during their visit to **Bedner's Farm Fresh Market**, to just name a few!

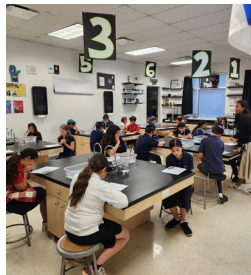
Our thanks goes out to an incredible team of passionate, motivated, innovative and student-centered teachers who provided our students with opportunities and experiences to learn in a hands-on, creative and experiential manner, while making life-long memories!

Field trips aren't restricted to teachers and students! Field trips are also excursions parents can take with their children and what better time to explore or go on an adventure with our children than during the summer vacation! Wishing everyone a wonderful and restful summer!

Middle School hosted "Moving Up Day" for the incoming 6th graders (the current 5th grade class) on May 16th. The students visited middle school and were welcomed by **Rabbi Sadigh, Mrs. Butman, and Morah Hadassah**. They got



a taste of MS classes by rotating between a mini science lesson, a Torah class, and a tour of the Middle School building. The students also had an opportunity to hear about all of the amazing programs that MS offers and had an interactive Q&A with our Middle School Student Council. The morning ended with an Executive Functioning Workshop with three stations: planning, locker organization, and scheduling which was created and led by **Ms. Karene Mordechai** (and the help of some of our middle school students). As they went back to their 5th grade classrooms, each student was sent off with an ice cream treat and a lot of exciting things to look forward to next year! Thank you to **Mrs. Tinio, Morah Lanner, Rabbi Mirzoeff, Mr. Doss, Ms. Mordechai, Ms. Ready, Mrs. Butman, Morah Hadassah, Rabbi Sadigh** and the **5th grade teaching team** for helping make the program a success, and to **Mrs. Herschman** for coordinating.



Yosef Dahan, a delegate in **Mr. Doss'** Model United Nations elective, presented his country's plan to address rising global temperatures.



Students in the Kids Time Program DIY class showed off their beautiful works of art.



Esther Amram, an aerospace engineer and alumna of **KYHS**, spoke to the 5th, 6th, and 7th grade students about her role in the **Artemis** program as well as her current career at **Blue Origin**. Esther shared both her educational journey and career path that led her, as an observant Jewish woman, to work in such a challenging and unique industry. The students were engrossed and engaged in this learning opportunity. They are looking forward to sending their postcards to space. Thank you to **Mrs. Braun** for bringing **Ms. Amram** to KHDS.

An Internet Safety Parent Night was held on May 11th for KHDS parents as **Mr. Gregory Schiller**, Assistant United States Attorney to the United States Attorney's Office, presented on the very important topic of "Keeping Our Children Safe in a Digital Age." It was a very engaging and informative evening and parents gained a lot of tips and strategies. Thank you to **Mr. Schiller** for being very generous with his time and to **Mrs. Herschman** and **Morah Lanner** for coordinating. For resources and more information please feel free to visit: NetSmartz and <https://www.svicac.org/parents>.



PREMIERE OF NAMES, NOT NUMBERS: A MOVIE IN THE MAKING

KHDS gratefully acknowledges the *Names, Not Numbers* program, which has taught our students about the Holocaust through the accounts of eyewitnesses and provided them with interviewing, filming and editing skills. Most importantly, the program enabled the survivors and our students to forge meaningful relationships. This program has transformed the traditional study of the Holocaust and KHDS has benefited tremendously through our participation in this project.

On Thursday, March 23rd, the documentary premiered at **Temple Beth Shalom in Century Village**. The film chronicled the lives of eight Holocaust survivors, as well as the personal experiences of the KHDS 8th grade students who worked for months on this project under the direction of faculty coordinator **Rabbi Ari Mirzoeff**. We also acknowledge **Dov Rosenberg** (Executive Producer), **Drew Aldridge** (Film Editor), **Michael Puro** (Director), **Marcelle Fischler** (visiting journalist), and **Lou Aguilar** and **Carlos Sanchez** (filmmakers).

Special thanks to **Shireen Butman**, **Zachary Cohen**, **Michael Gale**, **Jill Kaminetzky**, **Rachel Keller**, **Rina Lanner**, **Rabbi Ari Mirzoeff**, **Karen Moskowitz**, **Sonja Nadritch**, **Rabbi Deon Nathan**, **Rabbi Yaakov Sadigh**, **Hadassah Smolarcik**, **Rabbi Dr. Mordechai Smolarcik**, and **Chava Weisstuch** for their assistance with this project.

Most of all, we thank **Tova-Fish Rosenberg** (Producer and Project Creator) for creating this innovative curriculum and the survivors who shared their impactful stories: **Halina Baumgarten**, **Pierre Chanover**, **Helene Daniel**, **Mary Eckstein**, **Anna Freedman**, **Rose Friedman**, **Madeleine Goodman**, and **Robert Reizfeld**.

We shall never forget!

Names, Not Numbers is generously supported by a prominent national foundation.

Names, Not Numbers INC: an interactive, multi-media Holocaust FILM DOCUMENTARY project created by educator, Tova Fish-Rosenberg.

www.namesnotnumbers.org

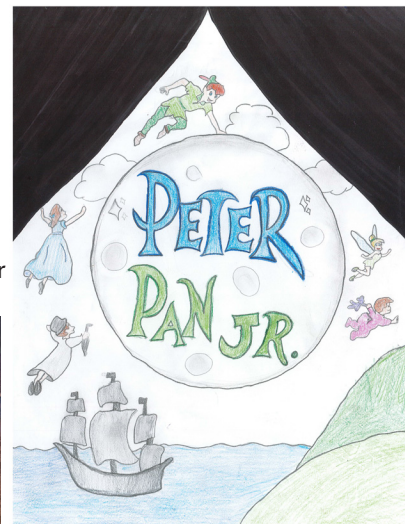


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KIDS TIME PROGRAM ANNUAL PERFORMANCE

The annual Kids' Time Program (KTP) performance took place on June 5th in Zinman Hall. The show opened with ballerinas and gymnasts performing under the direction of **Joy Deco** and **Gabby Fatta** (ballet) and **Coach Maia Shaffer** and **Dr. Penina Dorfman** (gymnastics). *Peter Pan, Jr.* was this year's featured drama production, under the direction of Show Director **Hannah Eichholtz**, Producing Director **Jennifer Pedraza**, and Choreographer **Judith Abbatiello**. An additional female-only performance took place on June 6th. Special thanks to **Adi Rafaeli**, KTP Coordinator, for her work on this, and to **Adi Rafaeli** and **Rabbi Gershon Eisenberger** for producing the *Playbill*. Congratulations to **Nava Hess** and **Hadas Lasry** on their winning design for this year's KTP banner. View all of the photos on our website.



Winning banner design by
7th grade artists:
Nava Hess & Hadas Lasry

Photo Credit: **Leonardo Moran**

Pomp & Circumstance: 8th Grade Graduation



On June 11th, 55 students participated in the 25th Annual Commencement Exercises for the 8th grade Class of 2023. Following the processional, Middle School Assistant Principal **Rina Lanner** extended a warm welcome and introduced **Head of School Rabbi Yaakov Sadigh**, who led the singing of the *Star-Spangled Banner* and *Hatikvah*. He then acknowledged the administration, faculty, staff, alumni, and those families graduating their youngest

child. After delivering his special message to the graduates, he introduced Board President **Daniel J. Katz**, who he thanked for his continued dedication to excellence in all aspects of Jewish education at KHDS. **Mr. Katz** acknowledged the administration, faculty, and staff, who he referenced as the "real heroes," and then addressed the 8th graders with an inspirational message as he challenged them to create a better world and live purposeful and meaningful lives.

8th grade graduate **Daniel Gross** delivered a beautiful Dvar Torah, and highlighted three key values, with a humorous metaphor to the graduating Gross triplets. Yearbook editors **Maya Bornstein**, **Leorie Kanoff**, **Leora Seidel**, and **Sarra Stein** spoke about the meaning of this year's yearbook, *Light Up The World*, and thanked **Morah Hadassah**, and those who assisted with the production of the yearbook. In her final year as PTA President, **Rachel Harow** gave an emotional and teary-eyed speech as she offered well wishes and presented siddurim as gifts to the graduates on behalf of PTA. She announced that PTA has invested over \$600,000 to enrich the experience of KHDS students, staff, and families over the years. The graduation film, produced by **Zachary Cohen/Coco Productions**, graced the silver screen followed by the presentation of diplomas and siddurim by Head of School **Rabbi Sadigh**, President **Daniel Katz**, Judaic Studies Principal **Hadassah Smolarcik**, General Studies Principal **Shireen Butman**, and Middle School Assistant Principal **Rina Lanner**.

A special shout out was given to Assistant to the Head of School **Jill Kaminetzky**, for her tireless efforts and behind-the-scenes planning of every detail of the graduation, alumni parent **Caroline Katz** for photographing the 8th grade portraits (as well as many of their portraits when they were in kindergarten) and creating the photo boards which classmates were able to sign with special messages. A reception took place after the ceremony for the graduates and their families. Mazal Tov!

Kindergarten Graduation



KHDS Kindergarten Graduation took place on June 8th as 58 adorable students dressed in blue and white took center stage for their last hurrah as kindergartners. Following the processional, Early Childhood Director, **Mrs. Gwenn Baer**, made welcoming remarks, which was followed by *Hatikvah*, *Mi Sheberach*, *Prayer for the IDF*, *Pledge of Allegiance*, *Star Spangled Banner*, and *Bruchim Atem*. The main performance included English and Hebrew songs, and then the graduates were individually acknowledged. After the video montage, a reception was

held for the students and their families to enjoy.

Kudos to the kindergarten team for their hard work over the past year and for coordinating the program: **Judith Reichenbach** and **Sheri Siegel**, **Tami Gerlitz** and **Saray Atias**, **Jodie Salit**, **Sharon Lisker**, **Rebecca Kinzbrunner**, and **Cheryl Mirsky**.

Special thanks were given to **Caroline Katz**, KHDS alumni parent, for photographing and producing the beautiful yearbook and cap and gown portraits; **Lisa Pinkis**, art teacher, for decorating the graduates' photo frames; **Tami Gerlitz**, Kindergarten Judaics teacher, for handwriting each graduate's Hebrew name on the diplomas; **Simone Haddad**, music teacher, for piano accompaniment; **Risa Kahane**, Admissions Director and Assistant to the Director of Early Childhood, for administrative support; **Rabbi Gershon Eisenberger**, Director of Technology, for technical assistance; **Simone Jacobs**, Facilities Director, and the **KHDS maintenance team** for all of their assistance behind the scenes, and **Robyn Sharove** for her help throughout the year.

Finally, we gratefully acknowledge all of the parent volunteers who helped to make this graduation memorable and beautiful: **Jennifer Berkowitz**, **Caroline Goldstein**, **Simone Jacobs**, **Alissa Kroll**, **Na'ama Rosenberg** and **Sara Shulman**. **Dr. Sarah Stern** thanked the committee with a presentation of flowers and gift cards. Onward and upward to 1st grade!

Graduation Photo credits: **Leonardo Moran**

CLASS OF 2023

Benjamin Abels
Gabriella Aghion
Aryeh Basch
Liron Benabou
Avigail Benyair
Lizzie Blobstein
Maya Bornstein*
David Brontvain
Eliav Eichler
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Kovi Miller
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Sam Mitchell
Shalhevet Ohayon
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Paige Rackman*
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Annabelle Sokal
Ilan Sommers
Ari Spolter
Sarra Stein*
Zahava Tilis*
Akiva Tokayer*
Eliana Tokayer
Sholom Vidal
Yehudis Weg
Noa Weissman
Nick Welner
Shemaya Zangre
Talya Zaretsky
Noah Zucker

* **National Junior Honor Society**

Yonatan Aharon	Gavi Ginzburg	Caleb Oppenheimer
Avi Amos	Brynn Goldstein	Levi Pearlson
Aaron Aronovski	Racheli Hamburger	Hudi Raksin
Jacob Attias	Lian Harbor	David Romanoff
Elizabeth Berkowitz	Leilani Hauptman	Danielle Rosenberg
Natan Berzon	Judith Hess	Oscar Said
Dovi Biston	Gabriel Hochner	Rayna Schulman
Jayden Bistricher	Mia Raize Jacobs	George Shulman
Jacob Boda	Avital Liat Mila Kesler	Natalie Sorotzkin
Devora Caplan	Liev Kroll	Binyamin Stein
Susie Cooperman	Levi Lazoff	Dassi Stern
Oliver Czarka	Julia Lerman	Ashton Strobel
Or Dahan	Daniel Levi	Batsheva Touger
Arleen Epstein	Natanel Levy	Layla Weiss
Liel Federman	Maya Mandel	Noam Wexler
Sarah Frija	Yaakov Mann	Esther Wolk
Joseph Garden	Taliah Menachem	Miri Zak
Maya Gasner	Wolf Mendoza Mirsky	Ahava Zangre
Emma Geller	Emma Neuman	
Michael Geller	Rafail Ofengenden	



Yom Iyun



On Sunday, February 26th, students, parents, and grandparents came out for the very first Yom Iyun (for grades 1-3). This event, which we plan on hosting annually, was a learning opportunity for students and their families. The Yom Iyun was held as an aliyah for the neshama of *Esther Tehila bas R' Gavriel Pinchas, A"H*.

Students joined to learn about the mitzvah of making the blessing of Asher Yatzar. They also watched a video, participated in Chavruta learning, decorated an art project, and met with **Hatzalah** members and experienced the **Hatzalah** vehicles, which all made for a memorable afternoon. Healthy snacks were a great hit, too!

We thank the **Fraiman family** for sponsoring and the **Bienenfeld family** for their support. Kudos to **Morah Shira Sharp, Morah Peninah Salid, Morah Rebecca Kinzbrunner, Morah Tova Gil, Morah Yona Lobel, Morah Chana Stell, and Mrs. Simone Jacobs** for putting such effort into this successful program.



Executive Director Update



Two years ago, **Rabbi Deon Nathan** and his family left Dallas to join the KHDS family. In just a short time, Rabbi Nathan began making notable contributions to our school and community all while forging meaningful friendships with our staff and parent body.

Due to personal, family related reasons, Rabbi Nathan will not be returning as executive director of KHDS for the 23-24 school year. We thank Rabbi Nathan for his dedication and devotion to our school and wish him much Hatzlacha in his future endeavors.



Please join us in welcoming **Mr. Lev Stark** as our incoming executive director. Lev is coming to KHDS from Los Angeles where he held the position of Executive Director at **Valley Torah High School** for the last four years. Known for his strategic planning, leadership, financial management, and community engagement skills, Lev worked diligently to ensure the success of the school's operations, fundraising efforts, and collaborations with the board of directors. Lev's resume speaks to a broad range of experience. Before Valley Torah High School, he served as the Executive Director of **Yavneh Hebrew Academy** for eight successful years. His tenure at Yavneh also included organizing a summer camp for 400 students, further establishing his dedication to providing enriching experiences for children.

Lev is an active member of the Jewish educational community. He is a national board member for **Executive Directors Share (EDS)** and serves as a lecturer and consultant for the **Consortium of Jewish Day Schools**.

Beyond his contributions to educational institutions, Lev has demonstrated business acumen in various other industries. He served as the Vice President of Marketing and E-Commerce for **Twin Med, LLC**, and was the Vice President and Content Czar at **Edmunds.com, Inc.**, where he managed the largest automotive editorial team in the world. He and his team won a **Webby** award for the best internet site in its class.

Lev's commitment to education and community engagement is deeply rooted in his personal life, as he seeks to create joy and a sense of wonder in children's lives, whether through his work as a school executive or camp director. Outside of his professional life, Lev is a dedicated family man. Lev and his wife, **Amy**, have three sons, **Michael, Ethan, and JJ**. We are very excited to have Mr. Lev Stark on our team and look forward to creating the most amazing educational experience for our students, faculty, and families.

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Guy's Night Out



Close to 100 KHDS dads and grandads attended Guy's Night Out on March 13th for an evening of great food, drink, and schmoozing at the "famous" **Silver Garage**. This fun-

raiser also featured guest speaker **Myron Sugerman** who is featured on Amazon in the movie, *Last Man Standing: The Chronicles of Myron Sugerman*. Special thanks to **Daniel Katz**, KHDS President, for organizing this event and for donating the beverages.

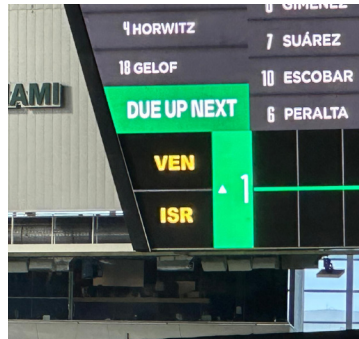
This event was generously sponsored by:

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SML

"Sunday Morning Learners" celebrated the year of learning by supporting Israel at the **World Baseball Classic** on March 15th.



Wax Museum

4th graders created their own "walk of fame" and "wax museum" as the culmination of their major unit of study on research-biography brought noted celebrities to life on March 29th. Students researched their celebrity and learned note-taking techniques, which were transferred to slides. They wrote biographical essays and created a comprehensive tri-fold display and speech to make their famous personality come to life.

Thank you to the 4th grade general studies teachers: **Ms. Beth Janock**, **Mrs. Jen Landau**, **Mrs. Adina Morris**, and **Mrs. Carol Peer** for tirelessly working and guiding their students throughout this process. We also thank **Rabbi Gershon Eisenberger** for ensuring that all of the tech needs were taken care of, **Rabbi Yaakov Sadigh**, **Morah Hadassah Smolarcik** and the **4th grade rebbeim** for their help, and the **PTA** and our **room moms** for the refreshments and the room decorations!

And finally, this event could not be possible without the meticulous attention to detail of **Mrs. Simone Jacobs** and the hardworking maintenance team of **Alberto** and **Esteban**.



Manatee Madness! 2nd graders took a field trip to **Manatee Lagoon**. This **FPL Eco-Discovery Center** is dedicated to educating visitors about manatees and the **Lake Worth Lagoon**, and inspiring communities to preserve and protect Florida's environment and wildlife for future generations.



2nd grade parents and guests attended a cross-curricular showcase about the Florida Manatee on March 28th, as they were able to personally engage with our students and take a deep dive into the grade's manatee project. This project taught us why the manatees are endangered and what small steps we can take to save the manatees and make sure that they are here for many years to come.

Thank you to the following teachers who embarked on this two-month journey of research, writing, inquiry-based learning, and even art: **Ms. Hillary Edelson, Mrs. Aly Schwarzer, Mrs. Rebecca Pearlson, Mrs. Kayla Ruskin, Ms. Robyn Klebanow, Mrs. Yael Loren, and Mrs. Lisa Pinkis**, as well as parent artist and volunteer, **Mrs. Tatyana Goldberg!** We also extend thanks to our music and STEM specialists, **Ms. Simone Haddad and Mr. Spencer Landreth!** With appreciation to **Rabbi Yaakov Sadigh, Morah Hadassah Smolarcik**, and the entire **2nd grade Judaic Studies department** for their help.

Thank you to **Rabbi Gershon Eisenberger** for ensuring that all our tech needs were taken care of as always and a huge thank you to the **PTA** and our **room moms** for the refreshments and the decorations! And last but not least, this event could not be possible without the meticulous attention to detail of **Mrs. Simone Jacobs** and the hardworking maintenance team of **Alberto and Esteban**.

On March 20th, 5th graders had the opportunity of a lifetime to get a behind-the-scenes look at **JetBlue** operations at the **Ft. Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport**. Students gained firsthand knowledge of the range and breadth of the various technologies used to fly planes safely and the STEM careers that are an integral part of the aviation industry. Our students participated in K-9 demonstrations, learned what is required to become a pilot or an engine mechanic, sat in the pilot's seat in the cockpit, and so much more!

A huge thank you to KHDS faculty member, **Mrs. Jamie Alverio**, for spearheading this trip and to her husband, **Mr. Jesse Alverio**, JetBlue General Manager of Operations, and his team for making this tour such a hands-on and unforgettable experience for our students!



3rd graders took a field trip to **Bedner's Farm Fresh Market**.



Students worked together to complete a clay mural project depicting the Florida Manatee. The completed mural will be permanently hung outside by our garden.

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5th grade took their class trip to **LEGOLAND** on May 11th.



Kindergarten visited **LA-LAND!** on May 15th.



On May 23rd, 1st graders took a field trip to **Publix**, where shopping is truly a pleasure! As part of the class' community helpers unit, they had a private tour behind the scenes to see how the employees are community helpers. They learned about where the produce comes from, went inside the coolers and freezers, and toured other departments as well. Publix generously swapped out their cookie decorating activity and gave the class Kosher supplies so they could be included and they provided goody bags as well. Thank you to **Mrs. Schulman** for organizing this trip and to **Publix** for hosting.



The 6th grade girls and boys took their long-awaited class trip to Pigeon Key in March! They enjoyed feeding tarpons and seeing manatees at **Robbie's** in Islamorada, having lessons about the ocean and local wildlife, bringing to life all of the marine biology they learned in **Mrs. Tinio** and **Mrs. Braun's** science classes, exploring the coral reef on a snorkel excursion, and getting to bond with their classmates and friends in a beautiful setting on the island! They have made memories that will no doubt last a lifetime! View more photos in our online website photo gallery.



7th graders departed bright and early on April 18th for their class trip to Orlando. They visited the **Kennedy Space Center**, **Holocaust Museum for Hope & Humanity at the Holocaust Memorial Resource & Education Center of Florida**, **Universal Studios** and even had a fun game night at **Main Event**.



The 8th graders took their milestone 10-day trip to Israel in April. Much gratitude to our amazing president and leader, **Mr. Daniel Katz** for his vision, for making this experience a reality, and for showing the students the reason Israel is the home of the Jewish people. Special thank you to our administration chaperones **Rabbi Yaakov Sadigh**, **Morah Hadassah Smolarcik**, **Morah Rina Lanner**, and parent chaperones: **Mr. Gabe Groisman** and **Dr. Chanoch Harow**. Thank you to **Rabbi Gershon Eisenberger** for putting together the daily videos we enjoyed so much! Find them all on our HilleTube channel and check out the photo gallery to view more photos.



12 Spotlight by Grade



Gwenn Baer
Early Childhood Director, EC2-K

It has been an unbelievable year for the Rosalind Henwood Early Childhood Learning Center. It is hard to believe the year is over! It has been my pleasure and honor to join the administrative team here at Katz Hillel Day School and become the Early Childhood Director. Thank you to our amazing parents, teachers, and of course our students, who made this year wonderful. It has been my greatest joy to see our

students' bright eyes light up with creativity and curiosity in the classrooms. We have had many amazing additions to our department this year and I look forward to continuing to grow next year.

This year we filled our days with laughter and play. The early childhood staff and I were committed to providing a loving early learning experience for our children that emphasizes the importance of social, emotional, cognitive, physical development, and the love for Torah and Israel. We value the uniqueness of every student that walks through our doors. The children's curriculum was enriched with phenomenal programming led by **Cara Beim** throughout the year. Some of our recent programming included our classroom Pesach performances, a Yom Ha'atzmaut celebration, and school wide Lag B'Omer activities. We were also excited to open our SATA-PTA pool for swimming lessons for our EC3 and EC4 children.

Our dedicated Early Childhood team guided your preschooler to think, problem solve, and learn through collaboration. This year we had the opportunity to partner early childhood students with middle school students once a month. These opportunities allowed our middle school students to be role models to our youngest learners.

We finished the year with our kindergarten graduation! Our kindergarten teachers, **Tami Gerlitz, Saray Atias, Judith Reichenbach, Sheri Siegel, Jodie Salit, Rebecca Kinzbrunner, Sharon Lisker, and Cheryl Mirsky** worked diligently with our students to create a beautiful show. Our three kindergarten classes lit up the room with their amazing voices. The room was decorated beautifully by our graduation committee, and the walls were adorned with stunning graduation portraits taken by **Mrs. Caroline Katz**. Over the course of the year, we have continued to learn and grow.

Now that the end of the year is upon us, on behalf of our teachers I want to wish you all a wonderful summer. I look forward to seeing everyone back on campus in the fall!



Shabbat Shalom! Students prepared for Shabbat each week!

Early Childhood



EC4 students studied coins as they learned about the mitzvah of matanot l'evyonim! They used linear counting to understand coin value, sorted coins, and placed them on a timeline!



Early Childhood teachers participated in a professional development session led by **Dr. Kerry Wittel** from **FAU CARD**. Thank you to the **Fraiman family** for sponsoring dinner in memory of **Yitzchak Shmuel ben Beryl Zev, Z"L**.



"Learning the ropes" on Aunt Jessie's Playground.

Swim lessons began in late April for EC3 and EC4 students. What a fun way for our students to learn water safety and basic skills.



Coach Sam's students had a blast in PE with hula hoops and ball challenges.

EC4 students had the opportunity to visit the Kindergarten classroom in anticipation of the next school year.



EC2A "hat trick!"



Alphabet stars!



Will the real Bobby Fischer please stand?

14 Spotlight by Grade



Kindergarten students played scoop ball to master their catching and throwing skills as well as eye-hand coordination.



Onward and upward to 1st grade - see you next year!



Students enjoyed activities in honor of **Dr. Seuss'** birthday.



Kindergarten students davened together.

Kindergarten

Students had a blast with **Coach Sam** in PE. They practiced basketball skills like dribbling and shooting into mini hoops and also had fun working together and cheering their classmates on!



Students worked on creative projects in **Morah Jodie's** class.



1st graders proudly displayed their completed E.S.T.I. forms marking the accomplishment of completing the Every Shabbat/Sunday Tefillah Initiative for the month of Adar in memory of our dear **Esti, a"h**.



Mrs. Kantor's class learned how to use Boom Cards on their iPads to reinforce their subtraction skills. The kids loved the immediate feedback they got if their answers were correct!



Mrs. Kantor's and **Mrs. Schulman's** classes learned about community helpers. To enrich their studies, many 1st grade parents were guest speakers to teach the students all about their careers!



After Terra Novas, 1st graders enjoyed reading outside in the fresh air! They picked a book from the classroom library and enjoyed discussing the interesting things they read.

1ST GRADE



The 1st grade 'Community Helpers' presentation took place on May 31st.



2nd grade polished their percussion skills by playing the marimba, triangle, drums, and tambourine while reading notes with **Ms. Simone Haddad** in music class.

2ND GRADE

Students took turns "finger-spelling" in their partner's hand during their novel study on **Helen Keller**. They learned about how **Annie Sullivan** first introduced words to Helen and each student spelled out 10-12 words while their partner played "Helen" and had to guess what word they were spelling. This was a fun and tactile way to bring what they were reading to life while feeling empathy and excitement for the main characters of the story!



To practice their math facts while de-stressing from testing, **Mrs. Schwarzer** and **Mrs. Ruskin's** class played "Rock, Paper, Scissor, Shoot!" They quickly added how many fingers were displayed and had so much fun practicing their automaticity skills with addition up to 20!



2nd graders learned the benefits and challenges of using artificial intelligence and competed with AI to identify facial expressions in **Mr. Landreth's** class.



Morah Yona told an inspiring story during the April 21st Hallel Tzibburi.



The 3rd grade Mystery Guest program continued with many guest speakers including KHDS parent **Mrs. Chaya Holczer**, who visited in early March and read *Hooray for Diffendoofer Day!* in honor of **Dr. Seuss' birthday week**.

3RD GRADE

Step right up! The annual 3rd grade State Fair took place on May 23rd.



Morah Peninah and **Morah Rebecca** hosted a beautiful Mother's Day tefillah and breakfast for our 3rd grade moms and grandmas. A HUGE thank you to **Simone Jacobs** for coordination and decor. Thank you to all the morot for helping!! We also thank all the moms and grandmas who came out.



Students in **Miss Christie's** and **Ms. Gutman's** classes enjoyed a flashlight reading activity in anticipation of summer vacation. Students brought in their favorite book, a flashlight, blanket, and pillow to get cozy by the "campfire." What a fun way to celebrate all the hard work they have accomplished this year!



16 Spotlight by Grade



4th grade celebrated Pi Day on 3.14 by measuring circles to find the circumference with string, the diameter with a ruler, and dividing to find Pi. And what would Pi Day be without eating real pie?

4TH
GRADE



Mrs. Landau's 4th graders reviewed their grammar skills and made foldables.



Students in Rabbi Kaplan's class used a Kahoot game to review for their quiz in Dinim.



Mrs. Morris' class played a game of Jeopardy! to review factors, multiples, prime, and composite numbers for an upcoming test!



4th graders worked hard in Morah Ben-Harari's Ivrit class.



5TH
GRADE

5th graders created and played board games to synthesize their learning of the universe in Mrs. Braun's class.



Students learned how to create useful items in Mr. Landreth's STEM class with the computer-aided design software platform Tinkercad.com. Some examples included cellphones, sports items, and more. Students then had the ability to 3D print their designs.



Morah Ben-Harari's Ivrit class enjoyed learning in the beautiful weather.



5th graders prepared for Yom Ha'atzmaut in Morah Racheli's Ivrit class. They learned about Israel's four holy cities, including a virtual tour of Tzfat, where they served as tour guides.



Rina Lanner, M.S. Ed.,
Assistant Principal, Middle School

Sometimes, as you experience the year, and focus on the day to day, it's difficult to recognize if you have reached your goals and if you've achieved success. Were the students challenged academically? Did the multitude of programs impact them spiritually? Will the relationships that were forged between students and teachers be everlasting? Have our students continued to develop into the Ovdei Hashem we strive for them to be? Are the values we hold dear being transmitted to our beloved students?

Well, one need not look further than quotes from our own 8th grade students. When asked what life lessons they learned from their time at KHDS, they answered:

"The most important concept I learned was to give the benefit of the doubt and always think of others."
"Not to take for granted what you have."

"Always be respectful to anyone."
"Everything Hashem does is for a reason."
"The power of yet."
"Try your best and always put all your effort in."
"Take It one day at a time, enjoy the process and be in the present."
"Never give up."

As I reflect back upon the 2022-23 school year, I can confidently say that, Baruch Hashem, we have accomplished our goals. Combining the tireless efforts of our dedicated teachers, our valued partnership with our parents, and the determination of our students, we have witnessed incredible growth and success.

As our graduates recently described their KHDS experience:
"I've grown."

"It changed me as a person."
"KHDS has had a major impact on my life."
"This is my home."

Have a relaxing and growth-filled summer!



Ms. Laduzinski was one of many amazing guest speakers during the Career Options elective. **Ms. Laduzinski** is a licensed mental health counselor who has over 30+ years of experience helping families and individuals of all ages. She recently published a children's book entitled *The Move* (in both Spanish and English) which assists children in acclimating to the anxiety of relocation. She generously donated two books to our elementary school. The students also learned what educational requirements and skills are involved to become a licensed mental health counselor.



Middle school students were honored with a visit from **Mr. Hershel Greenblat**, a courageous survivor of the Holocaust. His story of strength and survival was an inspiration to us all.



KHDS welcomed **Rabbi Eli Eleff**, Director of Kashrus Education for the **Orthodox Union** (and **Rabbi Kassorla's** brother-in-law) as he spoke to middle school students.



Middle school students heard from **Mayor Greg Ross** of Cooper City. Thank you for visiting!

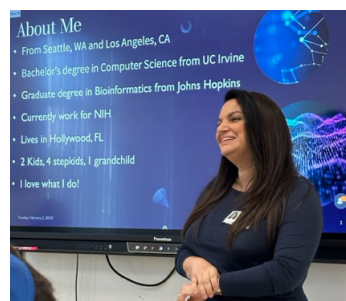


In recognition of the first **yahrzeit** of **Rav Chaim Kanievsky Zatzal** on Shushan Purim, **Rabbi Deon Nathan** inspired the middle school students by speaking about Rav Chaim's commitment to Torah learning and made a Siyum on Yerushalmi Brachos in his honor. What a momentous occasion!

Middle School



What a wonderful and informative day of learning **Mrs. Einhorn's** 7th grade life science students had as they participated in a question and answer session with KHDS grandparent, **Dr. Neal Weinreb** (and grandfather of 7th grader **Matan Scher**). As a doctor who has practiced for many years helping his patients, **Dr. Weinreb** also spends his time researching genetics and its impact on our lives. He was most impressed with the students' level of questions and even had the opportunity to explain genetic studies from a Torah perspective. We learned so much and are so appreciative of the time he spent with us.



Former KHDS parent, **Miriam Raphael Klein**, spoke about her experiences as a computer scientist during the Middle School Career Options elective.

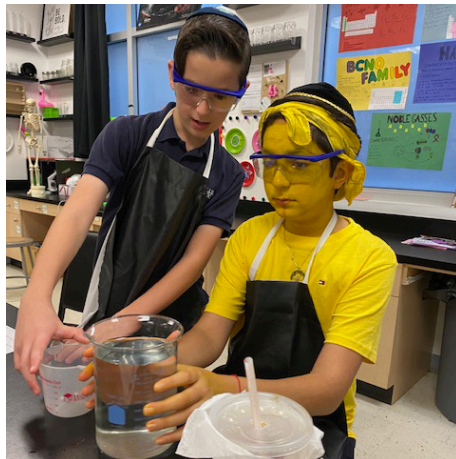
18 Spotlight by Grade



Mrs. Ricard's 8-2 English class annotated and analyzed the true nature of man through **William Golding's** classic, *Lord of the Flies*.



Who knew that studying genetics could be so much fun? Mrs. Einhorn's 7th grade biology classes learned that **James Watson** and his partner **Francis Crick** invented the model of DNA that we use today called the double helix. Each student's challenge was to create their own model including the phosphate backbone rails of the twisted ladder and the nucleotide rungs using edible material. Once the model was approved they enjoyed a delicious DNA meal!



DNA is the blueprint of all living things! The 7th graders in Mrs. Einhorn's classes expanded their study of DNA by learning how to extract it from a living thing (strawberries). Students created an extraction mixture that broke down the cell walls of the strawberries and then added a chemical to release the DNA from the nucleus of the cell. The gooey white strands of DNA were easily seen.



Students painted with watercolor in Morah Ari Pardo's elective class.



Middle school students celebrated the last day of school with a kumzits in the atrium.



6th graders used M&M's for probability practice in Ms. Meyers' class.



Mrs. Braun's 7th grade students learned the anatomical regions in science and engaged in a review activity where they marked the regions on each other.

Middle School



Mrs. Braun and Mrs. Tinio's 6th grade science students got their hands on some fish ahead of their class trips to Pigeon Key! They learned about classifying marine organisms and the comparative anatomy of six different fish species. All of this marine biology learning came to life during their class trip!



8th grade elective students spent time enthusiastically sharing their experiences from their milestone trip to Israel with our neighbors at **Sinai Residences**.

Color War took place in early March as students competed in a variety of team-building activities. This year's theme was Purim with teams: Red (Megillah), Blue (Mishteh), Yellow (Matanot L'Evyonim), and Green (Mishloach Manot).

Congratulations to the Blue Team (Mishteh) as well as to the recipients of the **Dannie Grajower, Z"L, Spirit Award**: **Natan Dominitz, Buzz Goldberg, Rachel Groisman, Eitan Gross, Sarita Hirsch, Benjy Landau, Ayla Mizel, and Sarra Stein**. These students exemplified the spirit of Color War through middot, sportsmanship, cheering each other on, and stepping up for their team.



8th graders took a fun walk to **Sobol** and **Carvel** with **Morah Lea Friedman** for some cool treats to celebrate their hard work.

Our 6th grade girls learned Chumash in chavruta. Such beautiful sounds of Torah could be heard!



Morah Ben-Harari's 7th grade boys took a walking trip over to our neighborhood **Carvel** for a cool treat as a reward for their hard work this year in Chumash class.



6th graders celebrated Pesach Sheni by eating matzah!



Coach Sam and **Coach Shaffer** combined 6th and 7th grade girls' PE classes and introduced a new game - Capture the Football!! The students used the whole length of the big field and practiced skills like throwing and catching a football. They also had fun working together and cheering their classmates on!

20 Community, Chesed & Caring



1st graders made special birthday cards for a Holocaust survivor's 101st birthday.



Kids Heart Challenge is one of the favorite fundraising events for many students in KHDS. This year we raised a total of \$4,450.43, but most importantly this program helped students learn about the benefits of regular physical activity and heart health while raising funds to fight heart disease and stroke. The event was filled with great music, competitions, and rewards for outstanding performance. So far, our lifetime KHDS donations total \$86,733!

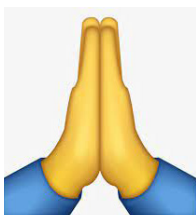
2023 Winners:

1st place: **Michael Mizel** (4th grade) raised \$1,000

2nd place: **Kira Zangre** (5th grade) raised \$393

3rd place: **Zev Gross** (2nd grade) raised \$306.35

Based on the money raised this year, the **American Heart Association** will reward us with a \$300 gift certificate which will help to purchase new equipment for our Athletic Department.



The Development office would like to gratefully acknowledge and thank **Dr. Orlie Cohen** for her continued support and guidance over the past 12 years. She is an invaluable member of the FRD team.

And a special shout-out to **Yaffi Wexler**, for once again proofreading this year's *Hillel Herald*, *Weekly Shavuon*, *Annual Report* and more! Thank you for your time and eagle-eye!



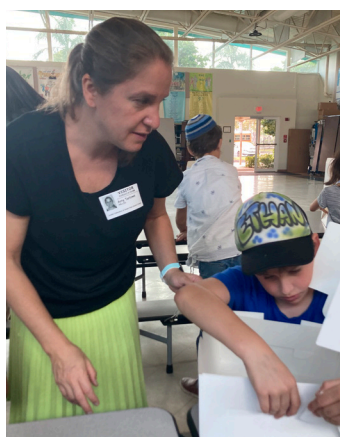
KHDS students worked hard to find creative ways to raise funds for the Kids Heart Challenge.



Students aren't the only ones who learn at KHDS. Our teachers are lifelong learners as well! All K-8 general studies faculty had in-person professional development with **Connected Class** trainers to develop better number skills in our lower school students. They also look forward to using **ChatGPT** as a positive teaching tool in the General Studies middle school classes. STEM faculty also participated in the professional development programming.



Tefillah is such an important life skill in our lives. Teaching children to be joyful and appreciate the opportunity to talk to Hashem is often challenging. Rarely, does one see a young child who has an inner joy, contentment and love for Tefillah as our **Esther Tehilla, A"H**, demonstrated on a daily basis. To honor Esti's memory and to increase the love of Tefillah in our children, a new program called **ESTI: Every Shabbat/Sunday Tefillah Initiative** began for the month of Adar as students in grades 1-5 kept track of each Shabbat and Sunday that they davened. The program continued each month and students who filled out their cards were recognized and received a Rosh Chodesh treat. Esti inspired all of us to do our best to come closer to Hashem in all that we do.



Thank you to KHDS parent **Mrs. Amy Tarlowe** for being **Morah Peninah's** 3rd grade mystery guest in March. She was so generous to come with her mom, **Mrs. Sandy Gross**, as they helped the class make Mishloach Manot for the 1st-5th grade faculty.

During **Mrs. Davis'** guidance lessons with EC4 and Kindergarten, the class read a book called *Shubert Sees the Best*, by **Dr. Becky Bailey**, a part of the Conscious Discipline program. After reading the book, students made their own heart-shaped glasses to use as a tool to remind them to look at things from the most "helpful" perspective possible. She also introduced the concept of being Dan Lekaf Zechut - giving people the benefit of the doubt.



Kol Hakavod to the following students who organized a lemonade stand with sweets and treats and raised almost \$600 for **Od Yosef Chai** in February: **Eliana Fraiman, Uri Fraiman, Atara Rosenberg, Danielle Rosenberg, Gabriella Rosenberg, and Noah Rosenberg.**



Kol Hakavod to **Sasha & Leon Feld** who raised \$1,012 for **Od Yosef Chai** from their hot dog stand.



Kol Hakavod to **Yael Nissim Geter, Noa Goldman, and Naomi Gelman** for their support of **Od Yosef Chai** through their lemonade stand fundraiser. They offered a thirst quencher during the hot, sunny weather and raised \$195!



Kol Hakavod to **Ava Bienenfeld**, who raised \$1,000 for the **Chayim Dimont, Z"L, Segula Fund** as part of her Bat Mitzvah Chesed project.

22 The Lions' Den



Maia Shaffer, Athletic Director
Julie Abrams, After School Sports Coordinator

This was another memorable and very successful year for KHDS athletics. Our teams brought home one championship, a 2nd place trophy, and a few of the teams made it to the playoffs, but most importantly all of our teams had tremendous improvement in skill level, understanding of the game, and amazing sportsmanship at all times.

Here are some of the highlights from the spring season of this past school year:

Our boys and girls' tennis teams led by **Head Coach Jamie Alverio** and **Assistant Coach Barbara Soto** was a great success this year! Mazal Tov to the boys tennis team for making it to the playoffs.

This year's boys baseball team offered lots of enthusiasm and promise when the season began. Coached by **Alan Semel** and **Alan Krull**, the team was mostly comprised of newbies and younger players. Although they knew it would be challenging, they also knew by the end of the season that their hard work would be extremely rewarding. The boys fought hard and improved throughout the season.

The girls flag football season, coached by **Stan Baptiste** and **Cameron Jackson**, was one filled with many emotions. The coaches commented that it was wonderful to watch the team develop as a strong group of athletes who understood what it meant to play as one cohesive unit. The team really came together in their last game, with a terrific victory! We hope the girls hold that final game close to them, as it is the result and proof of all their hard work.

The 4th-5th grade boys soccer team, coached by **Kos Donev**, experienced a very positive and productive season that improved as it progressed. The boys always played with enthusiasm and energy, which earned them many wins and a spot in the playoffs. Particularly during the playoffs, they showed their overall team improvement and spirit by playing an amazing game.

The biggest highlight of the year was our 4th and 5th grade girls soccer team, led by **Coach Miranda Fyfe**, who brought home the championship trophy! The girls had a spectacular season and they won the championship in a dramatic overtime game against **Posnack**. Coach Miranda took this group of girls, taught them skills, game play, and watched them grow throughout the season!

The season concluded with the annual Sports Awards Ceremony for all of our athletes and coaches on May 18th, and the athletes of the year were also announced. In addition, the 4th and 5th grade sports teams celebrated their achievements along with their coaches on May 23rd! Mazal tov to everyone for representing KHDS with "Lion Pride" and honor this year!

We would like to thank our dedicated coaches for all their hard work this year. Also, thank you to all of the parents for their support at the games. Last, but not least, we would like to thank our administration for their guidance and encouragement regarding the athletic program!

We wish everyone a relaxing and fun summer!



Mazal Tov to the Athletes of the Year:
Emma Harow ~ Benny Hochner



Photo credit: **Leonardo Moran**



KHDS coaches celebrated the successful conclusion to the 22-23 school year and athletic season with a special coaches dinner at **Century Grill**.

GO, LIONS!!!



Girls Tennis



Boys Tennis



Boys Baseball



Girls Flag Football



4th-5th Grade Boys Soccer



4th-5th Grade Girls Soccer



Students created 3D images of the four mitzvot of Purim!



Kitah Alef enjoyed painting graggers on Rosh Chodesh Adar.



Guess who? 4A enjoyed making masks during art with Mrs. Pinkis.



Early Childhood students enjoyed Rabbi Shmuly G's Purim Puppet Theater!



Kitah Alef enjoyed baking Oznei Haman as a pre-Purim treat.

Adar & Purim



Students in Morah Racheli's Ivrit class welcomed the month of Adar with dancing and singing as they visited the EC classes.



3rd graders made hamentashen with Morah Shirley, Morah Judy, Morah Racheli, Morah Orna and Morah Miriam while learning in Ivrit class. Students learned the recipe in Hebrew and then used their baking skills.



Peace, love and Purim! EC faculty were in the spirit celebrating Adar!



Kitah Alef enjoyed testing their Purim trivia knowledge with a fun game of Emet/Sheker.

24 Holiday Happenings



Royal Day



Crazy Hat & Sock Day



Sports/Jersey Day



Color Day



Israel Day



Teacher/Student Dress-Up Day



Thank you to **Rabbi Sadigh and family** for providing a special Mishloach Manot icee treat on Purim day! It was so cool!!!



Yeladim in Kitah Alef proudly displayed the Ivrit Purim story they wrote with **Morah Hana** during Lashon.



The entire Kindergarten class participated in a Mishloach Manot exchange. So fun!



Kindergarten and middle school students worked together on Purim projects.



3rd graders made Mishloach Manot which they gave out to administration, faculty, and staff in honor of Purim!



Ori and Ori did an amazing job bringing Adar joy to our students and transforming the elementary school corridors with their Purim-themed decor.



Rabbi Eisenberger visited students to teach them about the Megillah.

Thank you to KHDS parent **Mr. Binyamin Muschel** who visited Kitah Alef to show the students a real Megillah and practice making noise when they hear Haman's name.



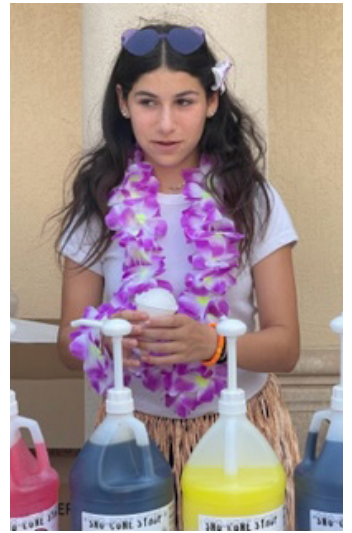
Elana Ostroff, from the PJ Library, visited Kindergarten and she brought a special guest, **Mr. Alan Silberberg**, an author and illustrator of many books, including *Meet the Hamantaschen: A Purim Mystery*, which he read.



Students baked hamantaschen in honor of Purim and packaged Mishloach Manot for **Tomchei Shabbos** and **Yachad**!



26 Holiday Happenings



Better Together! 8th graders assisted the employees at Sinai Residences in providing their residents with a carnival for Purim as they formed connections that spanned generations.



On "Costume Day," faculty and staff dressed in chef's hats and aprons as they are each a "key ingredient" in educating the students of KHDS. Students displayed costume creativity and also enjoyed all of the festivities including ice cream, pony and train rides, a juggler/fire show, and **Avi Frier's** game show fun!



Pesach



Grape juice, matzah and pyramids, oh my! EC3-A was busy getting ready for Pesach.



In Kindergarten, students worked on creating their Haggadot by writing, coloring, and cutting.



Middle school students and parents participated in an evening of learning in preparation for Pesach. They explored the depths of the Haggadah with chavruta-style learning and created divrei torah to enhance their seder.



Pesach sameach from 2nd grade.



EC enjoyed their model seders.



Thank you to **Rabbi Shmuly G** for bringing the famous Matzah Factory to KHDS! Early childhood students enjoyed all of the hands-on activities in preparation of Pesach.

28 Holiday Happenings



EC4 students learned about Pesach with hands-on experiences bringing the Haggadah to life.



3rd grade celebrated Rosh Chodesh Nissan and prepared to "leave Egypt."



To prepare for Pesach, middle school students participated in a round robin style workshop, where different Divrei Torah were shared related to the Haggadah.



Students performed a Pesach show for our neighbors at **Sinai Residences** during the Dor L'Dor elective.



7th graders worked on their personal Haggadah in **Morah Ben-Harari's** Chumash class and reflected on the stories in their own words.



Families enjoyed attending the EC Pesach programs.



Mrs. Kantor's class surveyed parents to find out what vegetables they use for karpas at their Seder and the students tracked the results on bar graphs and analyzed the data!



PTA treated all students, faculty, and staff to a pizza lunch before the Pesach break.

In commemoration of Yom HaShoah, **Morah Ben-Harari** created a memorial wall to pay tribute to the six million Jews who perished. We shall never forget!



In addition to reading *Night*, by **Elie Wiesel**, **Ms. Gold's** 7-2 class created dioramas of various experiences and horrors of the Holocaust. The students put their hearts into this project and created meaningful replicas. Several students created projects that mirrored the journey and experiences of family members who survived the horrors, telling their stories. Reading and learning about the Holocaust teaches the students facts and the projects helped them feel connected in a way that the written word often cannot. They understand why it is important to never forget.



In observance of Holocaust Remembrance Day, **Mrs. Ricard's** 7-3 English class constructed blackout poems after reading **Elie Wiesel's** memoir, *Night*.



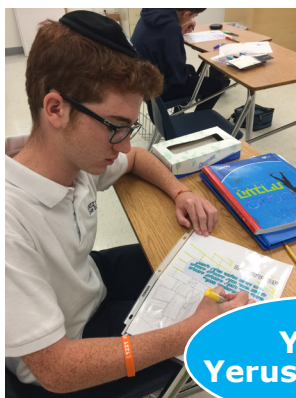
Middle school students remembered the over 22,000 soldiers who have fallen in the defense of the State of Israel during a Yom HaZikaron assembly. Thank you to **Morot Lea, Rachel, Naomi, Shany, and Liora** for this poignant and meaningful assembly.

Yom HaZikaron



2nd and 3rd graders observed Yom HaZikaron with a visit from **Mr. Eli Peer** (husband of faculty member, **Mrs. Carol Peer**) an officer in the Israeli Army who contributed much to the defense of the country working with rockets!!! **Mr. Peer** spoke about his personal experiences and impressed on the students the importance of education. We are so grateful for his time and sharing his wisdom!

Mechina students worked on a project for Jerusalem Day.



EC4-B enjoyed a special visit from "big brother" middle school students as they created artwork together in honor of Yom Yerushalayim.



A spectacular performance of Daglanut (Israeli flag dance) by the 5th grade class took place in celebration of Yom Yerushalayim. Kol Hakavod to our amazing B'not Sherut **Ori x 2, Morah Hadassah, Rabbi Drang** and all of the 5th grade students! Thank you to **Shlomo Ehrlich** for manning the drone. View more photos online in our photo gallery.

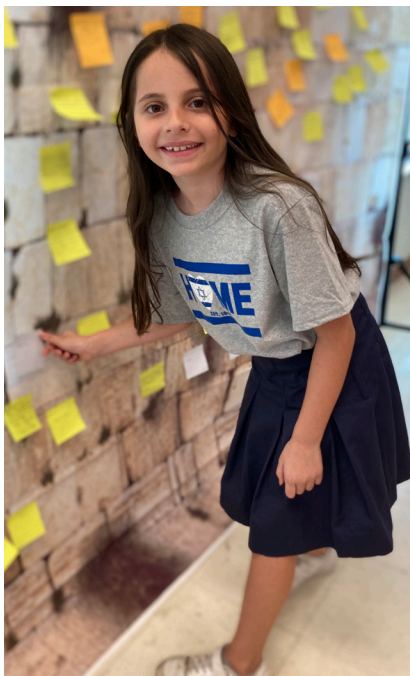


30 Holiday Happenings



Happy 75th, Israel! In honor of Yom Ha'atzmaut, KHDS 4th-7th graders joined thousands of students from across South Florida on April 26th to celebrate in Miami at the **South Florida Zionists** event. Meanwhile, back at the **Milton B. Katz Campus**, EC2 through 3rd grade students participated in an action-packed day of festivities. Students and staff received a themed shirt, visited the shuk where they shopped for snacks and goodies, decorated tote bags for shopping, received photo booth magnets, and visited the Kotel where they placed letters on the wall. EC students "milked a cow" on a kibbutz and shook it up to make homemade butter. **Morah Dina** ran a "tzahal training" and obstacle course, **Morah Yifat** led an Israeli dance, and **Morah Jodie** offered floating exercises in the "Dead Sea." Lower School started the day with a Hallel Tzibburi and an Israeli sing-a-long, students danced in a Rikud with **Morah Yael Loren**, participated in a Chidon about Eretz Yisrael, and played soccer on the field. All students enjoyed a schnitzel pita lunch and blue and white cookies to celebrate.

Thank you to the teachers who helped coordinate and run this amazing program: **Morah Rebecca Kinzbrunner**, **Morah Shira Sharp**, **Morah Yona Lobel** and **Morah Peninah Salid**, **Morah Jodie Salit**, and **Morah Cara Beim**, and all of those who helped with the shuk! Special thanks to **Morah Rebecca Kinzbrunner** for producing the video and to **Rabbi Eisenberger** for technical assistance.



In preparation of the community-wide Yom Ha'atzmaut 75th Anniversary celebration at Marlins Park, KHDS was one of 18 schools that the organizers visited to capture students showing their pride for Israel.



EC2-K celebrated Lag B'Omer with water day.



Lag B'Omer



Participants in KTP (Kids' Time Program) created DIY art for Lag B'Omer.



Lag B'Omer activities took place in honor of the holiday including the annual 8th grade boys vs. male faculty basketball game. Teachers were victorious, 32 to 16. It was a great effort and fun was had by all!



Morah Jodie and Morah Rebecca's class went on a "field" trip to find stems for their Shavuot flower project and found Har Sinai at the end of their search.

Shavuot



Morah Yona spoke to students about her experience in Yerushalayim in 1967, and how she went to the Kotel for the first time in 19 years during that Shavuot.

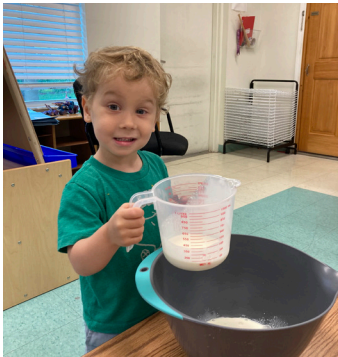


EC students enjoyed a special visit from middle school students as they created artwork together in honor of Shavuot.

KTP participants created DIY flowers for Shavuot.



Students participated in Shavuot projects in anticipation of the upcoming holiday! EC students made cheesecakes, 3rd graders worked on Shavuot napkin holders, and 4th graders made a no-bake cheesecake in the Cafetorium after learning the recipe in Hebrew.





Danny Aghion, M.D., FRD Co-Chair
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Financial Resource Development



Another school year has concluded and we would like to take this opportunity to thank those of you who have participated in this year's successful fundraising efforts. As of press time our campaign has raised \$648,000. We also extend appreciation to all of the families who participated in our **Every Parent Campaign**. A full listing will be included in our 22-23 *Annual Report*, along with a complete overview of giving and the year-in-review.

Our **8th Annual Family Golf Outing** took place on June 4th. The wrap follows and more photos are on our website. Finally, we wish a hearty mazal tov to our 8th grade and Kindergarten graduates and hope that everyone has an amazing summer!



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Please think about joining our Atid Legacy Society and help us build a foundation for the longevity of our school through planned giving. You can participate easily by including KHDS as a beneficiary in your will, retirement plan or IRA. We are offering **FREE** confidential consultations and services, which include a last will and testament, codicil, and/or trust amendment and other useful guidance about planning your legacy, thanks to the donation of pro bono services by **Dvora Weinreb (Scher), Esq., KHDS parent**. Please contact the Development Office if you would like to set up a time to speak with Dvora.

8th Annual Family Golf Outing



Participants from across the generations enjoyed the KHDS 8th Annual Family Golf Outing on Sunday, June 4th at **Boca Delray Golf & Country Club**. The event, co-chaired by KHDS dads **Joe Averbook** and **Dov Hochner**, raised \$40,000 while offering a great day of ruach and fun for everyone. Thank you to our generous sponsors, supporters, and participants for making this a successful fundraiser.

Participants received their swag bags and over 100 guests enjoyed the Sunday brunch provided by **King David Divine Catering**. Children had a chance to participate in the putting contest before the 9-hole shotgun scramble. The day concluded with a surprise snack and children received their participation trophies as a memory of the day.

A huge thank you to **Jason Zangre, Fred Pica** and **Sunshine Golf Car** for their assistance in securing the new venue of Boca Delray Golf & Country Club and for providing many of the golf carts used at our event.

Special thanks to **Joe & Danna Averbook** and **Sandy and Barbara Cohen** for their help in transporting all of our event supplies to the golf course.

We also thank all of the volunteers and KHDS staff who worked together to make this a successful event: **Julie Abrams, Danna Averbook, Joe Averbook, Barbara Cohen, Sandy Cohen, Eyal Cohen, Dov Hochner, Shaindi Hochner, Talia Hochner, Simone Jacobs, KHDS Maintenance Staff, Rabbi Deon Nathan, Rabbi Yaakov Sadigh, and Yehudis Weg**.

Finally, thank you to **Mike Midgette**, Head Golf Pro, his wonderful staff, and **Boca Delray Golf & Country Club** for hosting our group, **Dr. Eli Cohen/Cohen Center of Dermatology and Cosmetics** for donating the sunscreen, **Eyal Cohen** and **IGS Security USA** for keeping everyone safe, **Coco Productions** for photography, and **Cesars Golf Shop** for providing the rental clubs.

We look forward to seeing you next year at the 9th Annual Family Golf Outing!



The Winner's Circle

CONTEST WINNERS

Mazal Tov to all of the contest winners who received a contest trophy, sleeve of golf balls, and an Amazon gift card.

Children's Putting Contest
Aiden Meyers ~ Lilly Lerman

Longest Drive
Michael Goldfarb (Men)
Jack Lassar (Boys)

Closest to the Pin
Chandler Felger & Aiden Harow (Men)
Edan Carmel & Aiden Meyers (Boys)
Julia Lerman & Miri Wolk (Girls)

Congratulations to the winners of our Participant Raffle and thank you to our raffle donors.

- Cindy Goldfarb:** 3 Spanish Lessons generously donated by **Emily Kaufman, Spanish Teacher**
- Dov Hochner:** A special accessory from **Thirty-One** generously donated by **Simone Jacobs**
- Rabbi Akiva Wolk:** Financial Planning session generously donated by **Justin Jacobs of Morgan Stanley**
- Binny Perl:** Foursome of golf generously donated by **Mike Midgette/Boca Delray Golf & Country Club**
- Justin Jacobs:** \$25 gift certificate generously donated by **Lox & Bagel**
- Noam Dorfman:** \$36 gift certificate generously donated by **Burnt Smokehouse & Bar**
- Raffi Zuckerman:** \$50 gift certificate generously donated by **Ditmas**
- Ailey Frohlich:** \$100 gift certificate generously donated by **Century Grill**



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A Farewell Message from Rachel Harow, M.S.W., PTA President

Dearest KHDS Community,

I am at a loss for words, as I write my last PTA message! How quickly the last five years have flown! Throughout my years

as your PTA President, I have encountered some of the most rewarding as well as some of the most trying experiences of my life. We should all be as blessed. It has been my absolute pleasure helping the school navigate a global pandemic, multiple administrative transitions, and extreme population growth. The incredible parents, students, and members of the faculty and staff of this amazing institution have left an indelible impression on me. I will always view my time here with fondness. As my baby graduates and we as a family move on to the next chapter, I want to thank each and every one of you for enhancing our time at KHDS. This community is a rare gem, and we feel so fortunate to have been a part of it. KHDS will live in our hearts forever!

There are too many to thank individually but know that I have so greatly appreciated the guidance, assistance, and support that I have received throughout my time here. New and old friends alike, you have each changed my life in countless ways and I will miss you enormously! Immense thanks to the amazing members of my Board. You have played a special role in making this job worth doing!

*As my term comes to an end, I am thrilled to announce that I am handing off the presidency to one of the most competent, selfless, dedicated, and organized volunteers with whom I have had the pleasure of working. **Naomi Katz** is an extraordinary friend and committed leader. You are so lucky to have her step in, and I cannot wait to hear all about everything she and the PTA have in store!*



Rachel Harow,
PTA President
2018-19 to 2022-23

We extend sincere Praise, Thanks, and Appreciation to **Rachel Harow**, for leading PTA over the past 5 years. Rachel's involvement in PTA began in 2010, and she joined the PTA Board in 2011. She has invested countless hours as PTA President since taking the reins in 2018.

The grand opening of the **SATA-PTA Pool**, Art Nights, the build-out of the PTA Uniform Shoppe and website, the

Annual Chanukah Fireworks Extravaganza, the yearly printed KHDS PTA Calendar, the Ice Cream Social, bi-annual holiday boutiques, Teacher Appreciation Week, Moms Nights Out, Swap Shop, and multiple fundraisers are some highlights of her leadership. Her continuous work on multiple programs as well as religiously coordinating the *PTA Update* each and every week are just a few examples of all that Rachel has done for the KHDS PTA during her tenure.

We will miss **Rachel**, and the **Harow family** as they graduate their youngest child. Thank you for all that you have done for our school and our community!

With Praise, Thanks & Admiration

❖ We are very grateful to all the annual sponsors of our monthly Teacher Appreciation Breakfasts: **Nathalie & Freddy Abitbol, Danna & Joseph Averbook, Mercedes Benadivas & Joe Levy, Jennifer & Eric Berkowitz, Elysa & Michael Cohen, Karin & Shai Dahan, Nili & Michael Davis, Julie & Richard Ehrlich, Evy & Henry Eichler, Sigal & Shalom Elazar, Jordana & Sam Farbstein, Jaime & Dovid Feld, Rachel & Ahron Fraiman, Danielle & Adam Frija, Chani & Jeremy Gelbart, Tsilila & Michael Goldberg, Caroline & Michael Goldstein, Leya & Daniel Hakim, Lauren & Julian Hammond, Rachel & Chanoch Harow, Cara & Jonathan Harris, Anna & Kevin Jacobs, Rachelle & Jacob Kanoff, Racheli & Dov Lasry, Jennifer & Jarred Lyons, Leorah & Akiva Marcus, Sigalit & Itsik Nissanov, Nessa & Jim Reich, Ricie & Brian Sanders, Rivka & Avi Schlager, Dvora & Herschel Scher, Joanne & Shmuel Schwartz, The Shapiro Family, Lassar & Skehen Family, Lysee & Gil Stein, Amy & Michael Tarlowe, Coralie & Mitch Teichman, Marisa Weg-Chametsky & Sruile Chametsky, Meira & Adam Weiss, Chava & Ashi Weisstuch, and Andrea & Nathan Zucker. Special thanks to **Deena Frist** and **Naomi Katz** for coordinating the breakfasts throughout the year.**

❖ Thank you to **Jennifer Berkowitz, Yael Geller, and Na'ama Rosenberg** for helping out at the 2nd grade manatee presentation.

❖ PTA sponsored the special reception following the 5th grade Daglanut performance. Thanks to 5th grade class moms, **Rachel Fraiman** and **Sara Schochet**, and their team of volunteers, **Danna Averbook, Anna Jacobs**, and **Na'ama Rosenberg** for their help organizing and setting up!

❖ 3rd grade celebrated at the State Fair in May. Many thanks to class moms **Jen Lyons** and **Eve Sperling**, as well as their team of volunteers: **Raizy David, Rachel Fraiman, Alissa Kroll**, and **Amy Tarlowe**, for setting up a beautiful snack bar for the students and parents.

❖ Thank you to all the amazing 4th grade parent volunteers for helping with the Wax Museum program: **Emely Aghion, Margo Rosman, Leslie Gutstein, Leah Rosen, Rachel Khaimov, Emily Kaufman, Leorah Marcus, Maren Mayer, Karen Steinberg, Rebecca Kinzbrunner, Luciano Benchimol, Joanne Adirim, Chanie Biston, Rachel Greenbaum, Suzanne Saad, Hadas Sommers, and Sarah Mezrahi.**



Andrea Zucker,
PTA Treasurer
2016-17 to 2022-23

A huge thank you to **Andrea Zucker** for her long time dedication to KHDS PTA as our "trustworthy Treasurer." **Andrea** also has volunteered for countless PTA and school-related programs and events over her family's 16 year tenure at KHDS. We are grateful for her service to KHDS and wish the **Zucker family** all the best as they graduate their youngest child.



To get involved
in next year's PTA, email us at
khdspta@hilleldayschool.org.



Mazal Tov to incoming
PTA President,
Naomi Katz

PTA Brunch: The End-of-the-Year Brunch took place on Sunday, June 11th at **Oak & Ember** as they celebrated the end of an era, welcomed the new PTA Board, and provided the opportunity to thank our outgoing officers including PTA President **Rachel Harow** and Treasurer **Andrea Zucker**. Thank you to the brunch committee: **Danna Averbook, Rachel Fraiman, Caroline Goldstein, and Anna Jacobs** who planned this beautiful culminating event.



Teacher Appreciation Week: "We HEART our teachers" was the theme of this year's Teacher Appreciation week. Starting with a gigantic 'thank you' sign on the front lawn on behalf of our students and a week filled with yummy treats, personalized notes, and great giveaways, the PTA truly strived to make each one of our faculty and staff feel valued and appreciated.

Immense gratitude goes to Teacher Appreciation Week chairs, **Danna Averbook** and **Anna Jacobs** for their hard work and attention to every detail that went into making our teachers feel loved! Thanks to their incredible team of volunteers: **Joann Adirim, Emely Aghion, Jennifer Berkowitz, Jaime Feld, Danielle Frijia, Huvie Gatley, Caroline Goldstein, Rachel Harow, Cara Harris, Simone Jacobs, Alissa Kroll, Danielle Lazoff, Ganit Levy, Jennifer Lyons, Maren Mayer, Sigalit Nissanov, Ellen Pardau, Leah Ravae, Margo Rosman, Rivka Schlager, Hadas Sommers, and Eve Sperling.**



Purim Baskets: In honor of Purim, PTA provided every member of our incredible faculty and staff with beautiful Mishloach Manot baskets. Thanks to **Abby Feferman** for leading this project, and to the members of the Mishloach Manot committee for assembling the packages: **Stephanie Beneda, Sabina Benyair, Tamar Feld, Simone Jacobs, Jill Kaminetzky, Alissa Kroll, Rachel Harow, Carol Peer, Bru Pool, Young Mi Skehen, Eve Sperling, Caren Waintraub, and Marisa Weg-Chametsky.**

Pop Up Shoppe: Tremendous thanks to **Deena Frist** and **Leorah Marcus** for all their hard work in coordinating our extremely successful Pop-Up Shoppe, which took place on campus Sunday evening, March 12th. The boutique had dozens of vendors, selling everything from clothing, accessories, and jewelry to Judaica items, housewares, toys, and more. The event also featured an array of mouthwatering food trucks. Back by popular demand, PTA also raffled off several gift baskets. Much appreciation to the vendors who participated and the parent volunteers: **Danna Averbook, Naomi Dahan, Abby Feferman, Tamar Feld, Danielle Frijia, Yael Geller, Rachel Harow, Cara Harris, Simone Jacobs, Naomi Katz, Jennifer Lyons, Maren Mayer, Leah Ravae, Margo Rosman, Judith Schultz, Holly Seidenfeld, Young Mi Skehen, Ayelet Trauring, Chava Weisstuch, and Andrea Zucker.** Thanks, as well, to our student volunteers: **Atara Austein, Raquel Cohen, Abby Bienenfeld, Ava Bienenfeld, Efrat Belizon, Lauren Feld, Rachel Feld, Daniella Frist, Eytan Frist, Mia Frist, Ailey Frohlich, Emma Harow, Hanna Katz, Jacob Katz, Avia Kesler, Elisha Marcus, Emma Marcus, Reese Marcus, Ariella Mayer, Meira Rosman, Eitan Schultz, Miri Wolk, and Jacob Zucker.**



Pre-Pesach Pizza: On the last day of school before Pesach, PTA treated all students and staff to a pizza lunch! Thanks to **Danna Averbook, Abby Feferman, Aiden Harow, Aliyah Harow, Rachel Harow, Simone Jacobs, Shira Menczer, and Aiden Meyers** for volunteering to organize and distribute the pizza, and special thanks to **Lenny's Pizza** for making sure the entire school received their fresh pizza on time!

Shop, Sip, & Shmooze: On June 5th, parents had the opportunity to shop PTA's uniform sale, while starting off their morning with coffee and treats. A special 20% discount was given on all in-stock items, and free Swap Shop items were available as well. Thank you to **Ivana Aronovski, Abby Feferman, Tamar Feld, Rachel Fraiman, Rachel Harow, Naama Rosenberg, and Chava Weisstuch** for coordinating this event.

Guardians of Learning 2023

Once again, thank you to **Caroline Katz** and **Stephanie Stern** for co-chairing another successful year of the **Guardians of Learning**. The PTA has been hard at work to fund and support incredible initiatives to enhance the educational, extra-curricular and daily lives of our students and devoted staff. PTA has consistently played a strong role in all areas of the KHDS community, from providing the little things, like challot on Shabbat and holiday treats, to Teacher Appreciation initiatives, the Uniform Shoppe, and milestone gifts for Bar/Bat Mitzvot and graduations, or larger expenditures like the Mac Lab, VR headsets, sunshades, the scoreboard, and the swimming pool. Throughout the years, PTA has been able to invest over \$600,000 to enrich our children's experience at KHDS.

We thank those who have made a commitment to support our most lucrative and essential fundraising program for 2023.

The **Guardians of Learning** are the women around whom we rally and applaud for their annual contribution of \$360 — money that is put to work to the benefit of all of our students and staff at KHDS.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2023! HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

KHDS extends a bittersweet farewell to our
graduating families and a special shout-out to
our long-time graduating families:

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Blobstein
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**Gross (22 years)
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**Spolter (13 years)
Tilis (14 years)**

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Vidal**

**Weissman
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2023



Thank you to our amazing
B'not Sherut,
Ori & Ori!
WE ALREADY MISS YOU!

Get your summer reading in!
Summer reading lists, supply
lists, and more are posted
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**HAVE A SUPER SUMMER
AND
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