

TERS February 2019 Bulletin Article

It's hard to believe we are already beyond religious school's first semester. Our time with staff and students has flown by! Bon voyage to Alexis Fenton, whose family has moved to New Zealand for a one-year adventure. We will miss them and wish them all a safe journey and wonderful new experiences. Special thanks to Andrea Fenton who helped facilitate the 8th Grade field trip to Touro Synagogue in Newport, Rhode Island with teacher Liam Feldman and our Young Israeli Emissaries, Roy and Liron.

We also wish Liron and Roy a restful break with their families in Israel. Thank you to you both for having contributed so much to our students' Jewish education on Sunday mornings and Wednesday mid-week Hebrew sessions through your school "twinning" (our 7th and 8th grade students are matched with Israeli students of the same age through projects which explore their shared Jewish identity and multicultural experiences).activities, Israel Pride lessons, modern Hebrew games and the Living Bridge project. See you in a couple of weeks!

Mazal tov to Kitah Hay (5th grade class), and their families, for participating during Shabbat Service on Friday, January 4. We enjoyed hearing their voices as they helped lead prayers from the bima, march with the Torah during Hakafah and sing the closing song so beautifully. Thanks to their families for also contributing to the Shabbat oneg. Please join us again on February 1st at Shabbat, when it is Kitah Dalet's (4th grade) turn to participate.

Thank you to Dr. Andy Parad, a religious school parent, who volunteered to serve as school atrium monitor for us on Sunday, January 13. Our hope is that more parents can also help serve as **monitors for our school atrium door**, even if only for 30 minutes from 9:30-10:00 and for 15 minutes from 11:45-12:00 on one Sunday per month, it would make a huge difference. Otherwise, latecomers and visitors may continue to **ring the doorbell** on the upper right part of the atrium door. One of us will be alerted in the school office or hallway, so we can let you into the building.

We hope once you have received your child's religious school progress report that you will find the information we have provided meaningful. Please feel free to call us if you need any additional details about what your children have been learning in class.

Save the date for our next Havdalah Pajama Movie Night on Saturday, February 23. Wear cozy pajamas and bring warm sleeping bags or blankets. We'll provide the movie munchies and drinks. More details to follow about the movie title.

Warmest regards,

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