

TERS Message - April 2021

It was once again a joy to gather with our religious school families during the First Friday Family Shabbat of 2021 on Friday, March 5. **We hope to see you all again at our next First Friday Family Shabbat on Friday, April 2, 2021 at 6:45 p.m.** Tot Shabbat is at 6:45pm and Tefillah Time is at 7:05pm. Stay on for regular Shabbat service beginning at 7:30pm.

Our students gathered via zoom for a Passover-themed "Parting Sea" virtual painting activity for our Fun Family Friday on Friday, March 19. Together, we followed a Bob Ross-type painting tutorial by Eli Broder, a Jewish artist from the U.K. who showed us simple techniques using a limited palette for creating a beautiful painting depicting this significant moment in the story of Exodus. On Sunday, March 21 at 9:30am, Kitah Gan, Kitah Alef A and B gathered together with their teachers, Rabbi Marc and Hazzan Sherry for a festive *Sammy the Spider* Passover Seder. At 10:45 am Kitah Gimmel through Kitah Zayin sat together virtually for their Passover Seder-in-Song program. Thanks to our teachers who worked with our students to prepare them for their reading participation. Students received a special Passover gift bag containing art materials, a copy of their seder Haggadot, a seder plate placemat, a plague toy, as well as some special ingredients for their seder (grape juice, boiled eggs, parsley, matzot, and apples/sunflower seeds for the charoset). Special thanks to the Sisterhood for their donation which helped fund the seder plate ingredients.

On March 7 and March 14, Kitah Gimmel, Dalet and Hay enjoyed a special Hebrew program with Hadar Elya, one of our former Young Israeli Emissaries. The students enjoyed learning new modern Hebrew vocabulary with her as well as playing a game together. She will also visit with Kitah Vav and Zayin on Sunday, April 4.

We welcome photo submissions from teachers and parents which feature some of the activities your class and students have enjoyed together this year. It's hard to believe, but the close of the year is fast approaching and we would like to be able to pull together some type of slideshow to review the year.

Due to Spring Break, there will be no religious school on Sunday, April 11, 14 and 18. Religious school resumes for Kitah Gimmel through Zayin on Wed, April 21 and for all students on Sunday, April 25. Enjoy the break!

L'hitraot,
Armi and Jennifer