

Hebrew Day Institute

לכבוד שבת

L'chvod Shabbat



January 5, 2007



In the tradition of ...

Joey's Tzedakah Box

We are thrilled with the participation of our students in our Tzedakah curriculum the past few months. Let's make participation in 2007 even better.

Please help your children remember to collect Tzedakah during the week and bring it to school every Friday. Each month we have earmarked a different organization to receive our collected Tzedakah. For the month of January we are collecting to benefit the **Susan G. Ko-**

men Breast Cancer Foundation. The Foundation is dedicated to education and research on breast cancer causes, treatment and the search for a cure.

In March, our annual dinner will celebrate Tzedakah and will honor the memory and tradition of Joey Newhouse. Mark your calendars for this exciting program which will be held on Sunday, March 18, 2007. More details will follow as the program unfolds.



Reading Room With Mrs. R. By Mrs. Rothbard

The 3rd—6th Grade Book Club met today to talk about *The Cricket in Times Square*. Now, it's time to start reading the January books. Read next week's L'chvod for book reviews.

K — 2nd Grade

The Hello, Goodbye Window

(**Caldecott Medal**), by Norton Juster, Chris Raschka (Ill.)
The window in Nanna and



Poppy's kitchen is no ordinary window—it is the place where love and magic happens. This is the story of a girl spending the day with her grandparents and it speaks to the real lives of children and their experiences.

The 3rd—6th Grade Book Club met today to talk

3rd - 6th Grade

The Tale of Despereaux: Being the Story of a Mouse, a Princess, Some Soup and a Spool of Thread

by Kate Dicamillo, Timothy Basil Ering (Illustrator)



Grade 3 Up-A charming story of unlikely heroes whose destinies entwine. There is Despereaux, an endearing mouse; the human Princess Pea, with whom Despereaux falls desperately in love; Roscuro, a rat with a love of light and soup; and Miggery Sow, a peasant girl who believes she can become a princess. The four story lines are woven together in a witty, suspenseful narrative. (Note: The book may seem long when you first glance at it, but the type is large and it is a book than can comfortably be read by 3rd - 6th graders. It's also a terrific read-aloud story.)

Keep in Mind

Important Dates



Rehearsals Schedule

For the month of January we will be rehearsing

Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Mondays: Musical Rehearsal (singing and choreography) for all principal actors.

Tuesdays: Act 1

Thursdays: Act 2

(Students in both acts should attend Tuesday and Thursday rehearsals.)

Time and Location: Rehearsals will be from 3:30—4:45 pm in the main sanctuary of Har-Tzeon (the building with the media center).

Please make sure you pick your children up by 4:45 pm (we don't have use of the room after that time). Any students who are not picked up on time will be sent to Club Ed and parents will be expected to pay the appropriate Club Ed fees for that day. Thank you for your cooperation.

Max's Nights



The next Max's Nights is Monday January 8. It's a great opportunity to

have dinner with your friends and benefit the school at the same time. And you don't have to cook that night! Just eat at Max's, save your receipts, and give them to Insuk the next day.



Birthday Buddies

The Birthday Buddy birthday party for students whose birthdays are between August 2006 and January 2007 will be next Friday, January 12 during recess, in the Media Center. If you have already made a donation of Chai (\$18) per child to the Birthday Buddy fund, your child will receive an invitation to this party. (Students with birthdays between February 2007 and July 2007 will be invited to the party held in the spring.

At the party, students will come to the Media Center and make a selection of which book they'd like to have commemorated in honor of their birthday. Books have already been purchased by Media Center staff. A book

plate with your child's name and birthday will be placed permanently in the book they select and they will be the first one to checkout that book.

Thank you to all of the parents who have contributed. This program is a primary source of funding for books in our Media Center. It also teaches children the concept that a birthday can be an occasion for giving or sharing as well as participating in the **mitzvah of tzedakah**. We truly appreciate your support! *(If you have not yet contributed this year, there's still time. See Insuk for details.)*



The teachers and staff would like to thank the HDI PTO and all the parents for the very thoughtful Chanukah "Gelt" and for your generosity and support throughout the year.

It is truly appreciated!!



Upcoming Open House dates for prospective families are:

Friday, January 12, 2007 @ 9:30 am

Thursday, January 25, 2007 @ 7:00 pm

Contact Dina Korman at dkorman@hebrewdayinstitute.org for details.



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