

Syracuse Hebrew Day School Newsletter #3



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Hebrew Day School
Educating the whole child - mind, heart & soul.

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LOOKING AHEAD

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| School Picture Day | Sep 23 |
| Rosh Hashanah | Sep 30- Oct 1 |
| Yom Kippur | Oct 9 |
| Sukkot | Oct 14-15 |
| Shemini Atzeret | Oct 21 |
| Simchat Torah | Oct 22 |
| Veteran's Day/Conferences | Nov 11 |
| Thanksgiving | Nov 27-29 |
| SHDS Chanukah Store | Dec 17-19 |
| Chanukah | Dec 23-30 |
| Winter Break | Dec 23-Jan 1 |
| Martin Luther King Day | Jan 20 |
| February Break | Feb 17-21 |
| Purim Carnival/Megillah Reading | Mar 10 |
| Drama Performance | Mar 19, 7pm |
| Teacher's In-Service/Play | Mar 20, Play: 2pm |
| SHDS Model Seder | April 7, 10-1pm |
| Passover Break | Apr 8-17 |
| Yom Ha'Atzmaut | April 29 |
| Lag B'Omer/Color Wars | May 12 |
| Academic Fair/Picnic | May 14, 6-7pm |
| Grandparents & Special Friends | May 15 |
| Memorial Day | May 25 |
| Shavuot | May 29-30 |
| Annual Meeting | June 4 |
| End of Year Concert | June 11 |
| Awards Assembly | June 19 |
| Graduation | June 24 |
| Last Day of Classes | Jun 25 |
| Teacher's In-Service | Jun 26 |



[Link to the SHDS Google Calendar](#)

REMINDER: 1/2 DAY OF SCHOOL SEPT 25
DISMISSAL AT 11:30AM

If you are unable to pick up your child(ren) at 11:30am, the JCC has made child care available.
Please click the button below to download the form.

Prices vary based on membership.

Please contact Laura Lavine (llavine@shds.org) if you are interested in child care, but require financial assistance.

[Click to Download JCC Child Care Form](#)

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May the family be comforted at this time
with all other mourners in Zion and Jerusalem

DR. LESLIE DAVIS
September 17, 2019

Dr. Leslie Davis, 77, died peacefully at home on Tuesday, September 17, 2019. Leslie was born on June 20, 1942 in Brooklyn, NY to Irving and Estelle Davis. A research chemist by training, he did his undergraduate work at New York University and earned a Master of Arts in Teaching from Colgate University and a PhD in Chemistry from Syracuse University. He was a science and technology educator who taught at Syracuse University, The Community College of the Finger Lakes, and Christian Brothers Academy.

Leslie was an accomplished photographer and musician. His large-scale photographs of animals were displayed at Syracuse Stage during the run of "The Jungle Book". He played the string bass and began composing music while an undergraduate. NYU student orchestras performed his incidental music for drama department productions. His works included songs for voice and piano based on biblical themes, as well as compositions for small instrumental groups. He studied music theory, voice, piano and bass at Onondaga Community College where his experimental twelve-tone serial work

for piano, "Chemical Composition: Chiral Rows (Lactic #1)" was performed by Kevin Moore and published in *Perspectives of New Music*. His "Overture" for small orchestra, was premiered by the Onondaga Civic Symphony in 1999. He was a member of Congregation Beth Sholom Chevra Shas, where he read Torah and chanted Haftorah.

He is survived by his wife Barbara, his daughter Pamela and son-in-law Steve Wells, his daughter Phyllis and son-in-law Mark Zames, his son John and daughter-in-law Lital Davis; his nine beloved grandchildren: Talia, Jack, Henia, Sam, Leora, Julia, Tama, Noam, and Ella; and his sister Helen and brother-in-law Peter Kolins.

A funeral service will be held at 2PM on Wednesday, September 18 at Congregation Beth Sholom Chevra Shas. There will be no calling hours prior to the service.

Shiva will be observed at Barbara and Leslie's home on Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 7PM-9PM, with a service at 7:30PM both evenings.

Contributions in Leslie's memory may be made to the Syracuse Hebrew Day School or Christian Brothers Academy.

TRIBUTES

All donations made to the Syracuse Hebrew Day School

For Barbara Davis, Phyllis and Mark Zames, and family; In Memory of Leslie Davis
Cantor Kari and Joe Eglash

In Memory of Leslie Davis
Marc and Karen Beckman

In Memory of Leslie Davis
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In Memory of Leslie Davis
Jeffrey and Cindy Stein

In Memory of Leslie Davis
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In Memory of Leslie Davis
Sarah Steinmann

In Memory of Leslie Davis
Honorable Ava Raphael

In Memory of Leslie Davis
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Dr. Davis and Family; In Memory of Leslie Davis
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In Loving Memory of Leslie Davis
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In Memory of Leslie Davis
Stephanie Scherr

In Memory of Leslie Davis
Margaret Diamond

In Memory of Leslie Davis
Heather Engelman and Jim Sahn

In Memory of Leslie Davis
Estelle, Marissa, Lucy, and Shay Spevak

In Memory of Leslie Davis
Jean and John Spencer

In Memory of Leslie Davis
Vardit Smith

In Memory of Leslie Davis
Helen Marcum

The Week In Review

REMINDER!

Please remember that we do not warm student lunches. If you plan to send your child with a warm lunch, please use a Thermos to keep it warm until lunch time. Thank you.

CLUBS ASSEMBLY

Today, students K-6 signed up for clubs.
We have great clubs to offer such as Israeli Dance, Chess, Chorus, STEM, and more.

Be sure to ask your child what clubs they signed up for.



Physical Education

Kindergarten loved playing at their throwing and catching stations this week in PE. We focused on understand throwing with a swing, step, throw pattern.

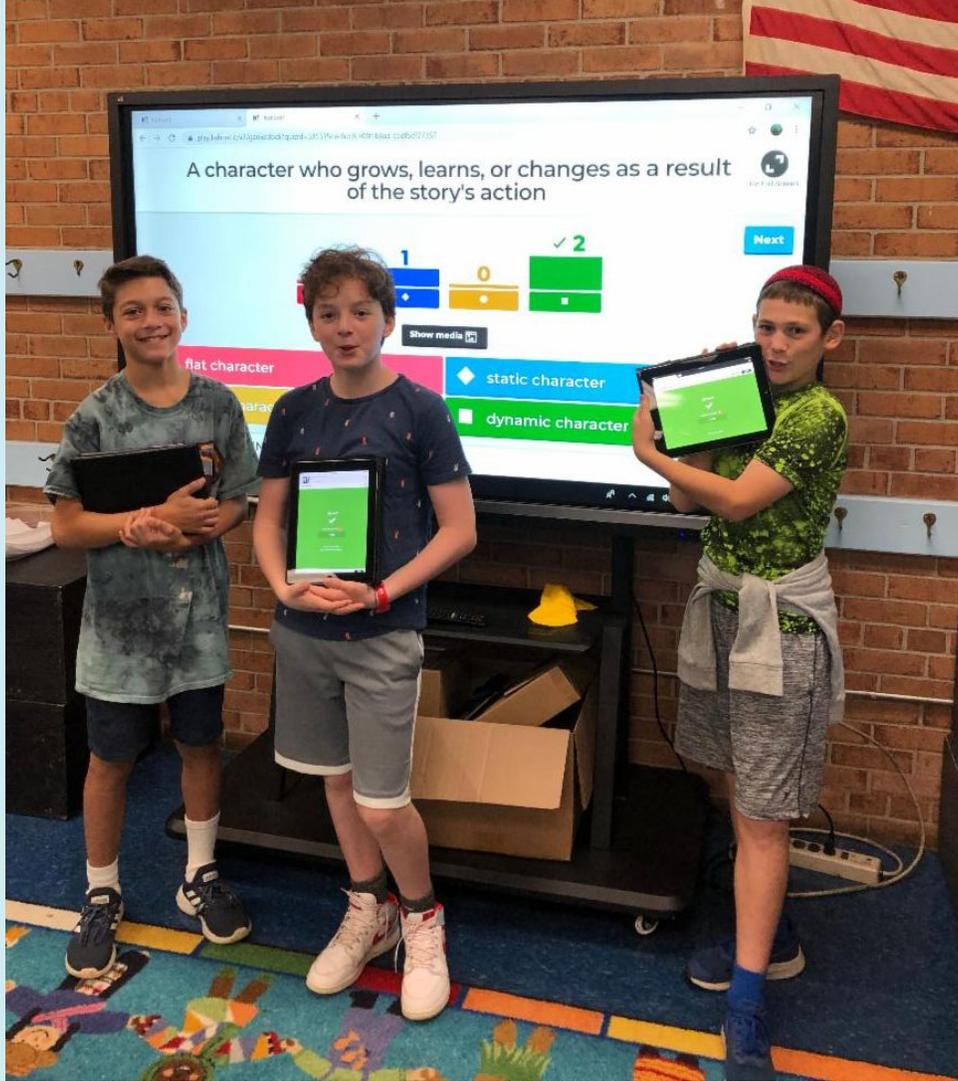
Soccer was a huge hit for 1st-6th grade. We focused on the rules and the game's strategies as the students played against each other.





Interactive Learning

Students continue to be actively involved in their learning with our new ViewSonic smartboard. The sixth graders enjoyed a thrilling Kahoot review game.



FEATURED CLASS OF THE WEEK:

3rd and 4th

General Studies

May the 3rd & 4th grade be with you!

What a great year so far--so many great new things to see, learn and experience! To start off, we have been learning about what it means to have a Growth or a Fixed Mindset. A Growth Mindset is thinking like Yoda: positive thoughts and deeds lead to positive change and growth. A Fixed Mindset is thinking like Darth Vader, the belief that things won't and can't change for the better. To encourage this daily, we start the day sharing our "Lights and Darks", a positive thing and a negative thing that is going on in our lives. We celebrate the positives and talk about how we can make the negatives into something more positive. Even if we share about having a nightmare, we talk about the idea that it wasn't a nice dream, but that it was just a dream and it isn't something we will let bother our day.



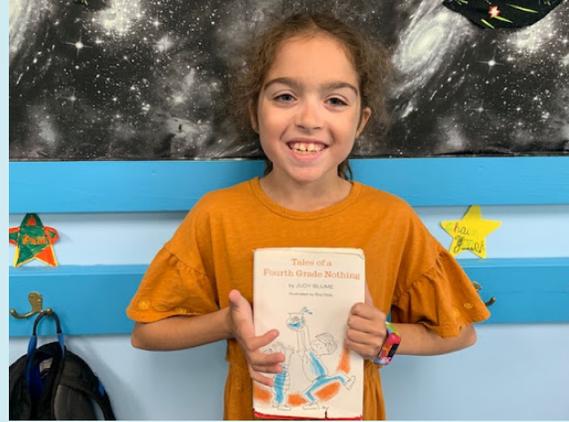
Also, this year we have Organizational Binders which are a way to help us stay organized. We feel like such "Big Kids" having to be responsible not just for our binders and how we use them, but also how we handle and organize our schoolwork.



Now, for some more incredible things we have been doing:

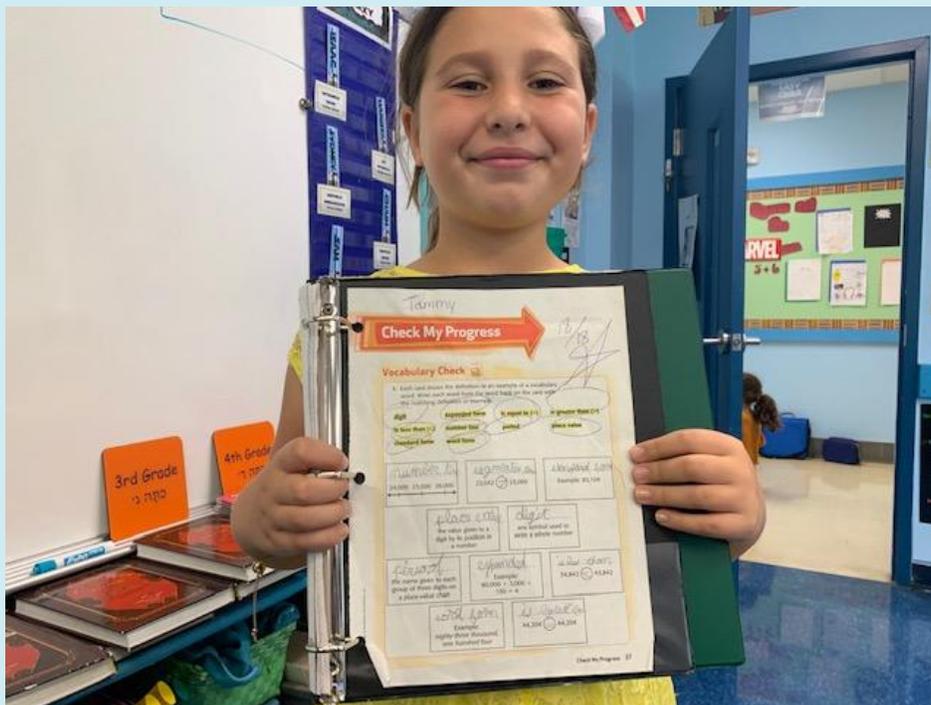
In ELA, we are doing Reading and Writing Workshop. The 3rd graders have been reading the book The Beast in Ms. Rooney's Room by Patricia Riley Giff. The 4th graders have been reading the book Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume. We love how we can relate to the same-age characters in the book and are able to write our thoughts and reactions to the stories in our Writers' Notebooks. It's an engaging way to make connections and share our entries with the class. Also, we have been working on our spelling skills with Everyday Spelling books.





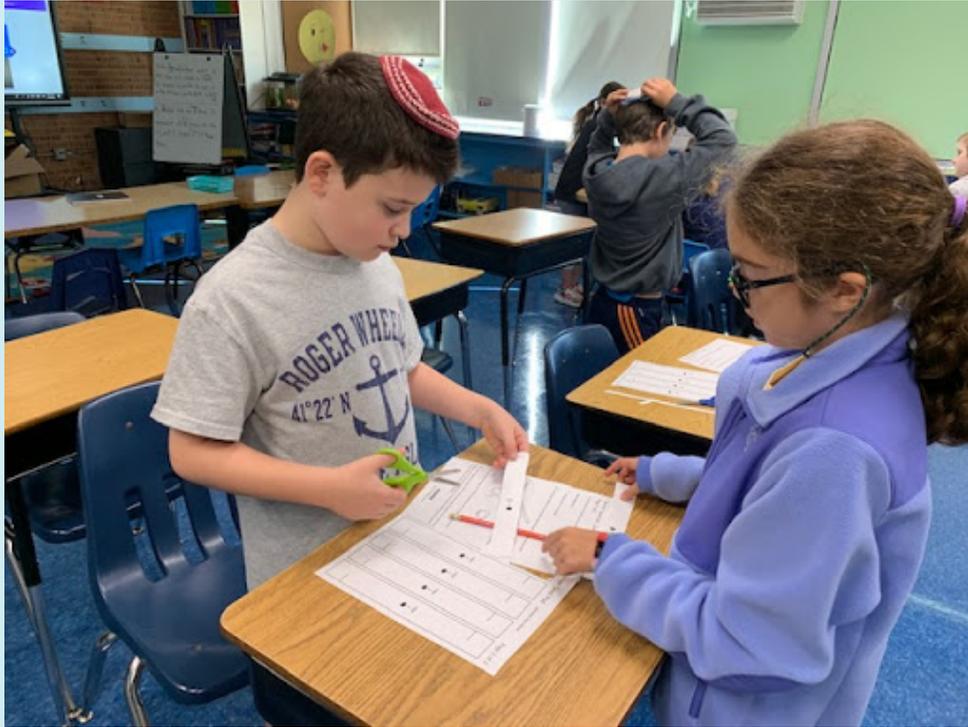
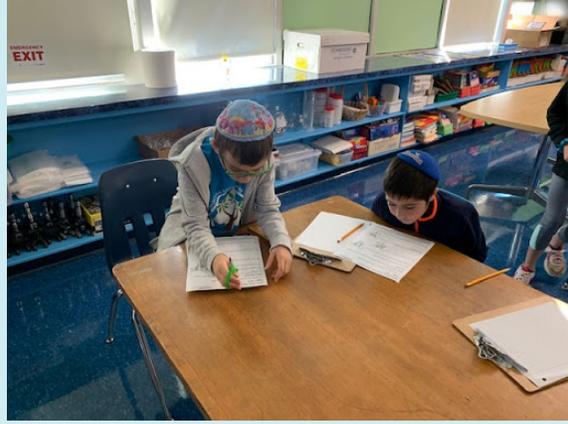
In Math, everyone is working on their math facts and trying to become very fast at them. The 3rd graders have been working on using Repeated Addition and Arrays to understand Multiplication. They have been getting the hang of it and actually love drawing arrays.

The 4th graders are learning Place Value with numbers up to a million. It's not an easy topic to understand, but the 4th graders are working very hard to make it all make sense.



Now for Science and Social Studies:

For Science, we are using Mystery Science which is a wonderful website that gives videos and activities to go along with our topics. This week we started a plant unit and learned about seed dispersal. The best part of the lesson was when we got to make different types of seeds out of paper and test to see how well they disperse and avoid the "Zone of Darkness" (an area of shade where seeds wouldn't be able to grow because of lack of sunlight). Luckily, all of our seeds did well and none of them ended up in the "Zone of Darkness". We can't wait to see what the next lesson brings.





In Social Studies, we are learning about geography. To start, we all had to draw a picture of what we thought New York State looked like. This was not an easy task and most of us didn't really know how to draw it. It looks like we have a lot to learn about New York State this year. Next, we discussed The 5 Strands of Social Studies which are geography, history, culture, economy and government. We are starting with geography and made a fill-book to introduce us to some key terms we need to know to understand geography. We also are doing an interactive notebook where we need to cut and glue in important information and foldables all about geography. The latest foldable taught us about The 5 Themes of Geography which are Location, Place, Region, Movement and Human-Environment Interaction. We are all wondering what the next foldable will be.



Last, but not least...Technology.

What could be better than getting to use the new ViewSonic interactive panel? It's fun to be able to interact with things on the screen by touching them! We are also doing lessons on how to be Good Digital Citizens. We are also excited that we have access to Google Classroom. We are able to email, play games and do assignments online, and communicate with other students in a space made safe for us by the school.





Oh, we almost forgot. Our class pet...Porgie the Porg (from Star Wars Episode 8: The Last Jedi). He loves attention and apparently waffles.



This year has started off to be incredible and we can't wait to keep learning, exploring and growing together!

3 & 4 Judaics

Third and fourth grades have been practicing reading, writing and verbs during the past few weeks. They enjoyed time together conversing in Hebrew and acting out the stories we read. We are also getting familiar with new verbs and learning new stories about the holidays.
-Mrs. Downie

Third and Fourth grade class is off to a great start to the school year. We are busy reviewing and mastering Hebrew prefix and suffix letters. Additionally, we have learned the various sounds of the Shofar. In Chumash, we are studying the Binding of Isaac and found out it took place on the first of Tishrei, which of course is the date for Rosh Hashanah. The ram's horn we sound on the Jewish New Year reminds us of the the ram Abraham offered on that day.
-Rabbi Shore

COMMUNITY NEWS

CHILDREN'S HIGH HOLIDAY CRAFT EVENT

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 22nd

at 4:30 p.m.

(about 45 mins.)

Decorate a beautiful Etrog Box

With Art Teacher **Susan Fix**



Parents welcome to drop your child(ren) off or get in High-Holiday-mode with “What Does it Mean to Be Ba’al Teshuvah?” with Rabbi Shore.

Please sign up at: www.stocsyracuse.org/events; 315-446-6194 or e-mail info@stocsyracuse.org

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