

**Dear parents:
Join us for a special evening**

SUPPER IN THE SUKKAH

Monday, October 1 at 5:00 pm

**Join your child in his/her classroom for an interactive activity,
followed by a Preschool Family Community Dinner.**



Each holiday tells a story. Each holiday serves a reminder of a message that might otherwise be forgotten with the distractions of every day life.

Sukkot is the holiday of joy and celebration. Sukkot is the holiday in which we focus on the goodness that envelopes us...the goodness that we might be taking for granted.

The Sukkot Story: After hundreds of years of forced slavery under King Pharaoh, the Jews were finally freed. The Jews left their suffering behind only to find themselves in yet another hostile environment, the harsh desert. Scorpions and snakes underfoot, prickly cacti bushes, the unforgiving heat of the sun during the daytime, and the frigid desert air at night. "This is why we left Egypt? We were better off as slaves!" complained the Jews. Hashem provided protection, shielding us from the harsh of the desert. And, with this divine care, the Jews traveled for forty years until they reached their destination, Israel.

Every year since, we celebrate the Sukkot holiday to remind us of how we are loved and protected in all-enveloping ways. We build a Sukkah (reminiscent of the enveloping care) and celebrate in this (all-encompassing) structure. It reminds us that we, hopefully, have much beauty in our lives, much goodness, love, positivity that envelopes our very beings.

Sukkot is a wonderful time to stop and think about the beauty that surrounds us. No matter how old - or how young - you are!

Sincerely,
Malkie Herson