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13 Adar 5772 — 7 March 2012

CELEBRATE PURIM AT CHABAD

Thursday,
March 8th

4:30pm Megillah Reading
5:00pm Party

These past two weeks we have learned all about the Holiday and story of Purim. Purim is a unique holiday; there was no splitting of the sea, no candles lasting eight days, no overt miracles. The story of Purim was a series of events that seemed out of a book or movie – (they made a movie of it) – a fairy tale where everything works out in the end. But in truth it was a miracle, but we need to look beneath the surface to see it. That is why we get dressed up, why we conceal our identities, just as Hashem concealed Himself throughout the story. We celebrate Purim this Thursday, with retelling the story, sharing in a festive meal and dressing up.

Everyone is invited to the Chabad Purim party this Thursday, 4:30pm Megillah reading, 5:00pm Party. With a ventriloquist! Looking forward to seeing everyone

Happy Purim
From the Hebrew School Staff

What We Have Been Learning....

Gan/Kitah Aleph (K-1)

The past couple weeks have been spent learning about the holiday of Purim. We learned the story of Purim and even colored our own Megillah! We made masks and learned about why we dress up on Purim. We also made our own groggers, which we are very excited to use this Thursday when hearing the Megillah at Chabad. This week we even made hamantashen, to represent Haman's hat. The kids really enjoyed rolling out the dough and shaping the cookies! We also learned about the four mitzvot of Purim: Hearing the Megillah, giving tzadaka, giving mishloach manos, and having a Purim seudah (a festive meal).

Morah Chana Miriam



Grade 2/Kitah Bet

Grade 2 has been learning all about the upcoming festival of Purim. Last week we all listened to Morah Chana who told us the story of Purim and why it is such a special festival to celebrate. We also started our very own Purim megillahs which we finished this week. We are all very excited to be able to use them on Purim, this Thursday. This week we learnt about how Rabbi Mordechai and Queen Esther wanted to thank Hashem for helping the Jews and how we also can thank Hashem everyday in the morning prayer of Modei Ani. We learned about the four Mitzvot that we do on Purim and how they connect to the Purim story: we hear the megillah being read, have a festive meal, give two food to a friend and give charity to the needy. Hope to see you all at our Purim celebration on this upcoming Thursday! Have a happy Purim!!!

Grade 3/Kitah Gimmel

This week in grade 3 we learnt all about Purim. Our highlights were listening intently to the purim story trying not to miss a single word, making masks to dress up and baking hamantashen with the finest jelly. We are excited for the upcoming Purim party and chabad and have our costumes ready to go! We cannot wait to hear the megillah, give mishloach manos, and join in on the Purim feast! Hebrew School this week was a blast and I can't wait to see what's in store for next time!

Morah Chana Mentz**Grade 4/Kitah Dalet**

These past two weeks we've been learning all about the holiday of Purim. We heard the whole fascinating tale and then played the characters in our very own Purim Play. We all helped tell the story at the parts that we knew. We noticed how all throughout the story Hashem was helping the Jews in "silent" ways. He made sure all the details worked out so that the Jews were saved, all without any big open miracles. We also learned all about the customs of Purim. Purim is such a fun holiday! We learned about graggers and hamentashen. We learned about the gift giving we do on Purim which is called in Hebrew Mishloach Manot and made one for a friend. We also Purim greeting cards to give to our friends with the goodies. We learned about the special custom to dress up on Purim and made cool character masks! We learned and made so many things and can't wait to come to the Purim Party at Chabad this week!

Morah Sara G.**Grade 5/Kitah Hey**

This week at Hebrew School we reviewed the Purim story. We learned about Haman and his evil plan to banish the Jews on the 14th of Adar and how Esther was able to save the Jews. Since then the 14th of Adar was established as a holiday. On Purim we give out baskets of food called Mishloach Manot and we give extra Tzedaka (charity) to the poor. We hear the Megillah which is the story of Purim - twice. Once at night and then again during the day. We also have a festive meal with our families!

We baked Hamantashen which represent how Hashem's hand is hidden in the story of Purim but in truth everything is orchestrated by Hashem.

Happy Purim everyone! Looking forward to seeing you next week!

Morah Mushky

Grade 6/Kitah Vov

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Morah Bosmat**Grade 7a/Kitah Zion**

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Morah Sara G.**Grade 7b/Kitah Zion**

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Rabbi Yitzchok

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Music
Costumes
Light Dinner
Purim Games
Create your own
Mask or Puppet



Everyone
in Costume
Wins a Prize

Amazing Ventriloquist Show!



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FUN for the
Whole Family!

\$10 Per Person
\$40 Family
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Party will be held at the Chabad Jewish Center in Basking Ridge, NJ

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RSVP at ChabadCentral.org/RSVP or call 908.604.8844x229

Megillah & Masquerade. March 7 @ 6:30pm
(No Charge)