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DEAR PARENTS, ^{שיחיו}

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Last Day of School. Vacation. These are the buzzwords circulating during the final weeks of the school year.

The רבי regards vacation not as “taking a break” from one’s holy work, rather as a rejuvenating opportunity for further growth. When our teachers go “on vacation”, they take your children with them. The change of pace and scenery gives them הרחבת הדעת to tap into new insights of how to better educate your child. Chassidus explains that the bright summer days are also imbued with a powerful אור רוחני and exceptional סיעתא דשמיא for spiritual accomplishment.

Walking through the halls of Bais Rivkah after the official closing of school, you will be amazed to see how it is indeed very open. Principals and faculty are busy evaluating the past year and enthusiastically planning for the upcoming one. Your child is very important to us and for that reason, our educators are never “on vacation”.

As this issue of Pulse reaches your mailbox, we will be experiencing almost thirty years since ג' תמוז. For the past three decades, teachers have had the unique challenge of educating students who never had the זכות to see the Rebbe בעיני בשר. Our מחנכות are charged with the monumental task of making the רבי and חסידות vibrant to young, impressionable minds.

ברוך ה' we are seeing the fruits of our labor, as our תלמידות grow up to establish warm חסידישע homes guided by the רבי's teachings. Many illuminate all four corners of the world, as the רבי's loyal שלוחות. Each one is empowered by the חסידישע חינוך that she received in Bais Rivkah.

We at Bais Rivkah, feel both humbled and fortunate to be one of the רבי's original מוסדות. Over the past three decades, our school has experienced monumental growth, both physically and spiritually. Not only have our student body and physical space expanded, so has our חינוך to match the trying times that we live in.

As we utilize the summer months to further actualize the רבי's vision for our children, we wish you a געזונטע זומער. May it be infused with the ultimate בשורה טובה of ביאת גואל צדק, Now וממש!

Warmly,



Rabbi Sholom Goldstein,
Executive Director



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TRANSITION

In our transition department, the girls enjoy learning through play. We also installed a new sensory wall in the hallway this year!



Pre-1A

BAKERY AND MODEL SEDER מצה

In preparation for פסח, Pre1a enjoyed a visit from Rabbi Grossbaum and the Model Matzah Bakery. They learned about harvesting wheat and preparing מים שלנו. Each girl rolled, baked, and enjoyed her very own delicious מצה. What a delicious, hands-on experience! Each class also had a model סדר in their classroom, with a pretend קערה for each student, and acting out the סדר.



ל"ג בעומר

Bais Rivkah Pre1a joined the beautiful Great Parade on ל"ג בעומר. The מיידעלאך marched in their T-shirts to the parade. They said the פסוקים enthusiastically and sang along to the songs. The Maidelach admired and pointed out the beautiful floats passing by. They were so proud to join the parade and march past 770 and down Kingston Avenue carrying their signs. What a fun day!

קריאה

Our Prela מיידעלאך are קריאה masters! After much hard work, the girls have learned all of the נקודות and are working towards fluency in reading. Continued daily practice over the summer

in the beautiful Summer Homework books will ensure that the מיידעלאך come into 1st grade as confident readers!



SPRING AND שבועות

In connection with the season of Spring and the שבועות of יום טוב, the Prela מיידעלאך learned about how plants need sunlight and water in order to grow. They planted grass and flower seeds and took care of them every day. After watering the plants and

waiting patiently, the Maidelach were so excited to finally watch the tiny grass shoots poking up through the soil! Some classes also went back to Botanical Gardens to see the Spring plants and flowers that blossomed.



הקהל

In Pre1a, we celebrate שנת הקהל in many ways. Every Friday, 2 classes get together for a הקהל Shabbos party. In other classes,

once a week snack time is a הקהל with a מיידל telling a story of the רבי and fun activities.



GRADUATION

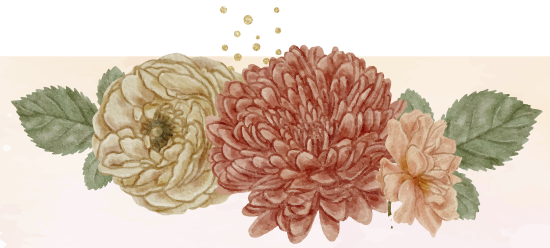
What a big milestone it is for the girls to graduate Pre1a! They are leaving as big first graders who mastered the basics of

קריאה, math, and many skills that will take them far. We are so proud of our graduates!



Primary

GRADES 1-3



Remembering

MRS. SCHILDKRAUT

Mrs. Schildkraut was an iconic model of dedication and commitment, her name synonymous with חינוך. A proud Bais Rivkah teacher for 35 years, with previous years in שליחות and חינוך, her mission was to imbue girls with confidence, pride and an irreplaceable love for learning through songs and lessons that kept inquiring minds active and engaged. She had a passion for finding the best in and ensuring the success of every student and she was not afraid to push a child firmly toward that goal.

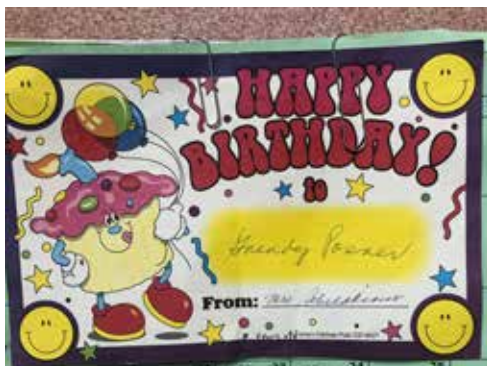
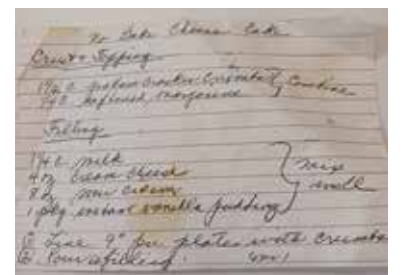
Expertly juggling her roles both at home and in school, Mrs. Schildkraut didn't waste a moment. After her early arrival at school every day, she could be seen knitting near the elevator, greeting teachers, students and therapists.

Every day, Mrs. Schildkraut expertly "juggled" and wore so many different hats both at home and in school. She would knit near the elevator between her early arrival at school, with near perfect attendance, even as she taught until the very last day before Covid temporarily shut our doors.

Every Thursday, it was Mrs. Schildkraut who was the 2nd grade unofficial gym teacher, calling out instructions to up to 3 classes of girls lined up for fun exercise or the wacky moves of the chicken dance, enthusiastically following her instructions. With an unparalleled dramatic flair, Mrs. Schildkraut enthralled audiences of 7 year olds (and their teachers) with סיפורי צדיקים that instilled lessons in אמונה and מידות טובות.

Mrs. Schildkraut impacted the lives of thousands, including generations of students, teachers and mothers at Bais Rivkah, teaching until the very last day before Covid temporarily closed our doors.

יהי זכרונה ברוך!



HATCHING CHICKS

As we excitedly count up to מתן תורה from פסח until שבועות, Bais Rivkah Primary has a yearly tradition as the girls take part in another highly anticipated type of counting: 21 days of incubation, watching eggs turn into chicks!

With the help of Morah Liba Rapoport and Morah Sara Cohen, the eggs came to Bais Rivkah. From the farm on Day 1 and until Day 21, when 11 chicks hatched, the girls learned science concepts and powerful lessons in patience, caring, and an appreciation for מה רבו מעשיך ה'.

Our hallway was a whirlwind of excitement as the girls watched in amazement at how quickly the soft, furry chicks grew and developed, with many brave girls holding the chicks gently. ה' gives

each of us a unique appearance, and our students were fascinated and surprised to see the same with the chicks: some creative girls helped name the chicks to help identify them as they moved from class to class: Ebony and Coal were born with jet black fur, while S'More and Brownie had varying shades of grey and brown. Blondie, Creamsicle and Little Chirp were names chosen by some students for the little yellow chicks that hatched.

How special it is to observe closely the miracle of life happening in our very own Bais Rivkah 3rd floor hallway!

Can you identify which chick is which?

Scan here to watch one of our chicks!



CELEBRATING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

What can be more exciting than a סיום?

Our תלמידות eagerly awaits to the day they come to school in white shirts to celebrate the completion of learning a פרק or פרשה. The סיום often includes an exciting project, a creative craft or interactive game. A performance on stage showcasing the lessons learned is a highlight that the girls are always so proud to share. ומזל טוב!



SUNDAY FUNDAY

12th graders on the primary and elementary floors at Bais Rivkah 470 Lefferts? You bet!

Every Sunday, a competent group of smiling Bais Rivkah seniors

with engaging personalities and youthful energy join grades 1-8 to assist teachers, cover small groups, lead gym class and work 1:1 with students. Throughout the year, teachers and students alike looked forward to seeing and interacting with our special Sunday "teachers!"



כתה ג' תהילים CLUB

Spring is an exciting time for our 3rd grade תלמידות. As תהילים-carrying members of the KGTC (Kitah Gimmel Tehillim Club), the girls commit to a minimum of a quota of תהילים every week, rewarded at the end with a delicious breakfast at school and fun program. We learned about the incredible power of saying תהילים and we hope the lifelong gift of saying תהילים daily will remain with our students for years to come.

STAFF אוהל TRIP

Teaching at Bais Rivkah is a tremendous זכות and an awesome responsibility.

At various times throughout the year, the principals of each department, Pre1a through High School, arranged transportation for teachers to visit the אוהל as a group, asking the רבי for הצלחה and ברכות both with our students and in our personal lives, in a פ"ן כללי.

One of the החלטות taken on by the primary staff while at the אוהל was organizing a shiur on hair covering, focusing on this topic in הלכה and חסידיית. May we all see continued נחת from the רבי's kinder at Bais Rivkah!



WRITING AND BOOK FAIR

Our 8th annual Writing and Book Fair was an incredible event enjoyed by our 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grade students, and their parents. We thank the fathers who joined our early viewing and welcomed 4th grade guests and their mothers as well.

The writing pieces on display were a testament to the growth our students have made this year in their ability to express their thoughts and feelings through the written word. It is always fun

to see the increased sophistication of the writing displayed by our 2nd and 3rd graders and the sweet sentences of our 1st graders.

An exciting display of Jewish books of all levels and a fun Children's Auction filled the room with something for everyone. We hope the girls keep their skills strong this summer as they spend time reading and rereading books purchased at the fair. Encourage writing letters to grandparents, teachers or friends!



שושנה PERFORMANCE

Welcoming our mothers to a special Shoshana (rose)-themed performance is the highlight of the year. Mommy is truly an inspiration and showing our **הכרת הטוב** and appreciation through song and dance is fun and meaningful.



Elementary

GRADES 4-8

BOOK-POETRY FAIR

The book fair and poetry fair were exciting events that showcased the creativity and talent of our students.

In the 4th grade, the poetry fair was held in individual classrooms, where the girls read their poetry aloud. It was a special occasion for the 4th graders to demonstrate their budding talent as poets.

In the 5th grade, the book fair took place in the lunchroom, where the students had the opportunity to showcase their writing skills as they presented their own authored books.

Both the book fair and poetry fair celebrated the students' accomplishments and served as platforms for them to share their literary creations with others. These events fostered a love for reading, writing, and self-expression, nurturing the talents of our young authors and poets.



PRIZES-REWARDS

Throughout the year, our students had the opportunity to participate in many incredible extracurricular programs, such as חנוכה for special days, "Be a חסיד" or the department-wide "Ker-a-velt" program.

They enjoyed a variety of exciting prizes for these programs, including a photo booth, cupcake decorating, bowling and snow tubing.



מבצעים

Throughout the year, our students had the opportunity to participate in meaningful מבצעים outings. These excursions took place on various significant occasions, such as פורים and י"א ניסן, or after school on Fridays. The 7th and 8th graders were treated to refreshing slurpees. These מבצעים outings allowed the students to bring the joy of אידישקייט to others.



END OF YEAR TRIPS

Our students had the opportunity to participate in a series of memorable end-of-year trips, each tailored to their grade level.

The 4th graders visited the botanical gardens, where they engaged in a workshop and even took home potted flowers as a reminder of their experience.

The 5th graders had a thrilling adventure at Launch, a trampoline park.

The 6th graders enjoyed an exhilarating roller skating outing, showcasing their skills on wheels.

For the 7th graders, the trip involved an exciting IT rope coursing activity in New Haven, followed by a delightful BBQ in the park.

The highlight of the end-of-year trips was the 8th grade

graduation trip, which held special significance as it marked the first time returning to Washington, D.C. since the COVID-19 pandemic. The students embarked on a journey to various significant locations, starting with a visit to the Holocaust Museum, fostering a deep understanding of our history and remembrance. They also explored the Lincoln, Roosevelt and World War II memorial sites, gaining insights into the nation's legacy. A boat ride added an element of excitement and adventure to the trip. The evening concluded with a meaningful dinner at the Shemtov's Chabad House.

These end-of-year trips provided our students with valuable opportunities for learning, connection, and celebration, creating cherished memories that will last a lifetime.



SALUTING OUR 117 GENERALS

Bais Rivkah honors our 117 צבאות ה' generals at the Great Parade.



SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Our students enjoyed special שבועות activities with their teachers, including flower arranging, cupcake decorating, and ice cream cone gardening.

Our 7th grade students enjoyed a ראש חודש program each

month with davening in 770 followed by breakfast at someone's home.

Our 8th grade students threw a birthday party for דוד המלך, connecting נביא class with the time of the year.



10,140

Hours of מבצעים

688

Meals served during the elementary lunch shift

33

Math Modules learned

540

Positive Office Referrals given out

220

Students who participated in dances/choirs at school events

Elementary By Number

3,712,500

Copies made in Bais Rivkah

5,182

School-wide incentives and awards given out

1,265

חומש of פסוקים learned this year

140

Writing contest entries submitted

12,420

Be A Mentch coins distributed to fill our קער א וועלט globes

High School

GRADES 9-12

חידון

Many extracurricular initiatives focus on building connections and leadership skills that strengthen our students. Bais Rivkah High School has another extracurricular program, developed in memory of Rabbi Yonah Avtzon, to encourage and support learning.

Over the course of 5 weeks, more than 150 Bais Rivkah High School students voluntarily learned 10 שיחות in ספר במדבר and were quizzed on it. They participated in חבורות lessons that made learning positive and fun.

After a series of tests, the students with the top 4 scores in each grade participated in a big game show where they tested their knowledge of the שיחות they had learned. The fluency was impressive.

Congratulations to our grand winners:

Gold: Hinda Rivkin-10th grade; **Silver:** Ety Geisinsky-11th grade; **Bronze:** Simi Vaisfiche-11th grade.



אחות RETREAT

The אחות program, which encourages girls to work on their personal development, had a successful year with חבורות-learning, פארבריינגן, personal checklists and monthly missions.

At the end of the year, participating students earned a beautiful retreat to Bushkill Inn. We started with a trip to the אוהל, followed

by bowling, a ride on the BEAST speedboat, a bonfire at night and a beautiful פארבריינגן with Chaya Cohen.

A big ישר כח is to Mrs. Sara Blau, Mrs. Chaya Mushka Spiero, Mushka Andrusier, the שלוחות and אחות heads. Thank you for making it happen!



ל"ג בעומר

Our students celebrated this joyous day with a bonfire, accompanied by singing and dancing led by choreographer Maayan Davis.

On the morning of ל"ג בעומר, the students participated in the big

parade. Our students had the privilege of designing a float to be displayed in the great parade. The float depicted the years when the רבי focused on the ופרצת and sent שלוחים all over the world. The girls worked tirelessly and the result was beautiful.



ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS

- **A SPECIALLY CRAFTED הגדה** was created for the students to share with their families. It was designed in a question-answer format, making it engaging and interactive. The הגדה featured a beautiful design and included a compilation of מפרשים and insightful explanations on the various questions in the הגדה. This הגדה not only enhanced their understanding of the יום טוב but also brought joy and enjoyment to the entire experience. A big thank you to Mrs. Lerman for creating this masterpiece.

- **AS PREPARATION FOR שבועות**, Mrs. Lerman conducted a workshop for students in grades 9 to 11.

The 9th grade students focused on מצוות, learning about the importance of performing מצוות and the significance

of choosing a מצווה that resonates with them. The students were encouraged to find joy and fulfillment in their observance of מצוות.

For the 10th and 11th graders, the workshop delved into the topic of מסורה. The girls received colorized and laminated versions of the chart found in the back of the siddur, which depicted the development of הלכה. They explored the distinction between תורה שבכתב and תורה משנה, גמרא, של בעל פה, and delved into the significance of קיצור שולחן ערוך, רמב"ם, and other important sources.

Through this informative and engaging workshop, Mrs. Lerman provided students with a deeper understanding of nuances within תורה.

GRADE PROGRAMS

9TH GRADE

The 9th-grade end-of-year event took place before שבועות. To kick things off, the girls had the opportunity to have custom airbrushed caps and bags made. They wore their custom creations with pride throughout the event.

The evening continued with a fancy dinner, followed by a delightful cheesecake bake, where the students had the chance to showcase their baking skills. It was a delicious and enjoyable activity for everyone.

During the event, students took the opportunity to share their reflections on the year, expressing what their experiences meant to them. Representatives from both out-of-town and local communities were invited to speak, providing diverse perspectives and insights.

A captivating slideshow highlighting the year in review was presented, showcasing cherished moments and memories. Additionally, a photo booth was set up, allowing the girls to capture fun snapshots and create lasting mementos.

What made this event even more special was that the girls themselves put it together. They worked collaboratively to create a stunning dessert table, baking mouthwatering treats. They also took charge of designing beautiful centerpieces and decor, adding an elegant touch to the venue. The students also created a grade newsletter, showcased the students' creativity, camaraderie, and the joyful spirit that was present throughout the evening.



10TH GRADE

The 10th-grade חקל challah bake was an incredible event filled with meaningful activities and delicious treats. The students came together to bake חלה and generously shared some with חולים ביקור, spreading kindness and warmth. Before starting the dough-making process, they collectively gave צדקה, and they mentioned names for a complete and speedy recovery when they said the ברכה. In addition, two girls took the stage and presented the קבלה behind each ingredient for the challah, providing deeper insights into the spiritual meaning of the process.

An exciting Jeopardy game provided laughs and friendly competition. A delicious ice cream bar was set up where participants could enjoy delicious treats and refreshing flavors.



11TH GRADE

The 11th-grade class had an enriching **יום עיון** dedicated to exploring the concept of **מלכות** and the significant role of Jewish women. They were privileged to hear from esteemed speakers, including Ruthie Sperlin and Chiena Avtzon, who shared their wisdom and insights on the topic. These inspiring women provided valuable perspectives and guidance, empowering the students to embrace their unique roles and responsibilities within the Jewish community.

Roza Kaplan conducted a color palette demonstration, engaging the students in a visual exploration of the concept. Through this creative activity, the students discovered the meaning of colors and their symbolism in expressing various aspects of **מלכות** and femininity.



12TH GRADE

The 12th-grade graduation trip was an exciting culmination filled with meaningful experiences and exciting activities. The journey began with a visit to the **חב"ד** House in Cherry Hill, NJ, where the students davened and enjoyed a delicious breakfast.

Next on the itinerary was a thrilling paintball shooting activity, which brought lots of fun and friendly competition. Continuing their journey, the group drove to Philadelphia, where they rented a boat for a memorable time on the water. With music playing and everyone dancing, they enjoyed the scenic views while celebrating their accomplishments and the bond they had formed throughout their high school years.

They then continued to Delaware, where they had the incredible opportunity to attend a **פארבריינגען** led by Rabbi

Flikshtein. He shared his inspiring life story, highlighting his transformation from difficult circumstances to discovering and embracing **אידישקייט**. The 12th graders stayed the night in Delaware, enjoying a hotel and bonfire.

The adventure continued the next day with a visit to a state park in Delaware, where they relished a beautiful breakfast surrounded by nature's splendor. They took part in boating, ziplining, and simply enjoying the serene environment.

The 12th-grade graduation trip was a perfect culmination of their high school journey, allowing the students to celebrate, connect, and create lasting memories together. It was a time of growth, reflection, and appreciation as they embarked on their next chapter in life.





Bais Rivkah Day
Camp Presents:



Create memories and friendships that will last a lifetime!

Register now:
BethRivkah.edu/daycamp

Highlights:

- Devoted staff
- Chassidische atmosphere
- Trips
- New specialty clubs!
- Art
- Baking
- Swimming

CAMP DATES: TUESDAY, JUNE 27 (8 TAMMUZ)
TO THURSDAY, AUGUST 17 (30 AV)

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO COMPLETE ENROLLMENT BY TUESDAY, MAY 30 (10 SIVAN) TO ENSURE A SPOT IN CAMP.

Staff Survey

So how does it feel to end another successful year in Bais Rivkah—as a teacher? Some of our incredible staff share their views.

TELL US...

WHAT ACHIEVEMENT OF YOUR CLASS ARE YOU PARTICULARLY PROUD OF THIS YEAR?

- They learned to play independently and negotiate how to share. *-Preschool teacher*
- They stopped crying so much. *-Preschool teacher*
- That they recognize the letters and א' ב of their name *-Preschool teacher*
- They learned how to read. They came in knowing א' ב and now they can read wonderfully *-Pre1a teacher*
- Their אהבת ישראל. Their kindness and sensitivity towards others *-Primary teacher*
- My students learned 42 new שורשים. *-Primary teacher*
- Teamwork *-Elementary teacher*
- They all really grew as people, in their connection to ה' and their נידות. They're putting in effort to grow. *-Elementary teacher*
- The girls developing a love and appreciation for חסידות. *-High School teacher*
- Their אחיות. *-High school teacher*
- Seeing the girls being able to ask questions and push themselves in ways they could not before. *-High school teacher*

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE PART OF BEING A TEACHER?

- My students are the cutest and just loveable! *-Preschool teacher*
- The purity and innocence of their נשמות. *-Preschool teacher*
- To see children succeed and achieve something they couldn't do. *-Primary teacher*
- My students' excitement for learning. *-Primary teacher*
- Building relationships with the students. *-Primary teacher*
- Seeing my students' growth in all areas. *-Elementary teacher*
- Connecting to the girls. *-Elementary teacher*
- Watching the girls have "aha" moments. *-High School teacher*
- Learning with the girls. *-High school teacher*
- The sense of community, the connections you make, and the impact you can have. *-High school teacher*

WHAT VALUE OR LESSON WOULD YOU LIKE TO IMPART TO YOUR STUDENTS?

- Every person matters. No one is more important than anyone else. *-Preschool teacher*
- Be proud of yourself and your accomplishments. *-Pre1a teacher*

- Making mistakes is a good thing. With patience and hard work, you really improve. *-Primary teacher*
- Try hard and never give up! *-Primary teacher*
- ה' loves you. You are unconditionally good and that will not change. *-Primary teacher*
- The most important thing is to be a good person. *-Elementary teacher*
- Look out for your classmates. *-Elementary teacher*
- You can learn a lesson from everything that happens to you in your life. *-Elementary teacher*
- Be happy in your skin and make everything you learn practical. *-Elementary teacher*
- Live a happy and joyful life. Make the little things count. *-High School teacher*
- Everyone has something really good about them, and when we see it in others, we find it easier to see it in ourselves. *-Administrative staff member*

WHAT IS ONE OF YOUR HIDDEN TALENTS?

- Making up songs spontaneously, as needed. *-Preschool teacher*
- Arts and crafts. *-Preschool teacher*
- Baking. *-Preschool teacher*
- I have a stunning voice. *-Pre1a teacher*
- I can alphabetize words. For example, I can read your name and put it in alphabetical order. It's easier for me to alphabetize than to read a sentence. *-Primary teacher*
- I'm double jointed. *-Primary teacher*
- I stay calm when there's chaos. *-Primary teacher*
- I'm a party motivator. *-Primary teacher*
- I'm good at computers. *-Primary teacher*
- I like to oil paint. *-Primary teacher*
- Gymnastics *-Primary teacher*
- I play piano. *-Elementary teacher*
- I can read Russian. *-Elementary teacher*
- I like graphic design, photography and understanding people. *-Elementary teacher*
- I used to be a math teacher and I can do calculus in the middle of the night. *-Elementary teacher.*
- I play the violin. *-After School program teacher*



Kids Corner

SCRABBLE

How many school-related words can you make using the letters below?



I COMPLETED
ANOTHER GREAT YEAR
AT BAIS RIVKAH!



**BAIS RIVKAH WOULD LIKE TO
ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SUPPORTERS:**



Behind ^{the} Scenes

Join us for a behind-the-scenes look at the hidden heroes who take care of the little details that make for a successful school day.

TODAY, WE TALK WITH:
MRS. SMADAR BENCHION AND
MRS. ESTHER EIDELMAN,
OUR DEDICATED
BAIS RIVKAH COOKS

What is behind the hundreds of beautiful portions that the kitchen serves several times a day? What happens behind those kitchen doors?



TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF. DID YOU ALWAYS THINK YOU WOULD BE A COOK?

S.B.: No. I used to teach in Israel, but I also taught cooking.

E.E.: I knew I would always be involved in food. I grew up in a Chabad House on a college campus, and I remember mixing a salad in a large bowl as a child. So I grew up cooking in large quantities, and it's always something I enjoyed.

HOW MANY PORTIONS DO YOU SUPPLY PER MEAL?

S.B.: 2,000

E.E.: About 800

HOW MANY PEOPLE WORK UNDER YOU?

S.B.: 10

E.E.: 5

WHAT'S THE MOST CHALLENGING PART OF YOUR JOB?

S.B.: To try to make everybody happy!

E.E.: Coming up with new recipes so that the food doesn't get boring.

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE PART OF YOUR JOB?

S.B.: My interactions with the children and seeing them eat the food.

E.E.: I enjoy cooking.

WHAT ARE SOME OF THE BEST DISHES YOU HAVE MADE IN SCHOOL SO FAR?

S.B.: The children love the baked ziti, vegetables and zucchini soup.

E.E.: I'd say the quinoa brought something new to the school that it didn't have before. I've also made some pretty cool pizzas.

WHAT'S A FUNNY MIXUP THAT HAPPENED?

S.B.: Once we thought we had turned off the fire for the soup, but we actually turned it higher and all the soup burned. I was so upset.

I also get a lot of funny notes from teachers about random material they suddenly need a lot of.

E.E.: There are some major language barriers. Once, I asked someone to put almond milk in the refrigerator and he put it in the freezer. Often I try to say something and they don't understand at all.

WHAT'S ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT SKILLS YOU NEED AS A COOK?

S.B.: You need to be organized, otherwise you can not do this job. You have to plan ahead.

E.E.: Being able to delegate, manage your kitchen and keep it clean and sanitized.

HOW DO YOU PROVIDE FOOD FOR SO MANY PEOPLE?

S.B.: We try our best

E.E.: "Try to work smarter not harder". We use a lot of machinery to speed things up.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE APPLIANCE IN THE KITCHEN?

S.B.: My big mixer. I also love my skillet. This skillet cooks 70-80 pounds of pasta per time. We also make soup in it.

E.E.: My Robot Coupe. It's like a food processor, but instead of the food going into a bowl, it shoots out from the side.

WHAT'S ONE THING PEOPLE DO NOT REALIZE?

S.B.: The amount of work you have to do to prepare each meal

E.E.: How much work it takes to run the kitchen. Also, we serve food 4 times a day. In between the kitchen staff is busy and the kitchen is closed :).

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