



Fourth and Fifth Grade News

News! News! News!

This week was out of this world with the book fair! The students enjoyed previewing the fair and purchasing books this week. We received some wonderful new books for the classroom. I hope all the students will enjoy reading them. In math, both classes took their benchmark assessments this week. It was a great opportunity to see what they have mastered thus far and what areas need to be improved upon. The assessment was a review of all that they have learned this year. The fifth grade started a new chapter on multi-digit multiplication this week. They are using area models and Cross Number Puzzles to focus on partial products. The fourth

grade started their chapter on area and perimeter. This week, they developed their understanding of two-dimensional figures by studying the measure of its internal space. In social studies the students continue to work on their Maya, Inca, and Aztec codices. They continue to learn background information about the three empires and projects are due next week. We will begin a South American country study at the end of next week focusing on the geography, languages, customs, and natural resources of the individual countries throughout South America. Next week we will begin to focus on a weather unit in science. Students will continue

learning about weather and will learn specifically about heating Earth. Through investigations they will monitor temperature changes when solar energy is absorbed by water and dry soil. We have pen pals at Woldenberg! The fourth and fifth graders are working on a very exciting writing project. We have pen pals at Woldenberg Village and are sending off our first letters to our pen pals today. We will write to some of the residents of Woldenberg over the next three weeks and then will meet our pen pals before winter break! Shabbat Shalom. Have a restful weekend, Mrs. Curry

IMPORTANT DATES:

Social Studies projects are due next Wednesday, December 7th. Please make sure your student is on track with their artifact. They may need to work on illustrating their codices at home.

"I am the Light" Chanukah Celebration at Shir Chadash Thursday, December 15th at 6:00 pm! Students need to arrive at 5:45 and should wear white tops and dark bottoms.

Happy Chanukah!

Chanukah is rapidly approaching. Help our class create a menorah from recycled goods. Next week, we will be working as a class to create a menorah made of recycled goods. Please send your student in with materials on Monday so that we can start our masterpiece. Get creative!



Judaic Studies

Dear Parents, This week we learned about the children on the trip from the program- Chaverim Beivrit. The children are enjoying learning about the trip, and they are describing what the children are doing, playing, eating. They are watching a play about the Torah stories and more. We are also learning about verbs in the present and how we use them with singular pronouns. We are also learning a very Israeli song- about the times that Israel was a dream for some of us.

Shabbat Shalom, Mery beit Halahmi It was an excellent week of learning in the 4th and 5th grade during Judaic Studies. The 5th graders spent all week researching information for their Chanukah presentations that will be seen at the school-wide Chanukah celebration in less than 2 weeks! The 5th graders are working hard on these presentations and they are going to be excellent. The 4th graders learned about the Dead Sea this week – both from Biblical sources and present day information along with a little sci-

ence experiment. The 4th graders also began learning about Chanukah and reviewing the Chanukah story. Next week, they will be learning more about the miracles from the Chanukah story and how we remember these miracles today. I look forward to another wonderful week of learning with the 4th and 5th graders.

Shabbat Shalom, Mrs. Adelman

