



# Spotlight

Friday, October 4, 2019 5 Tishri 5780 Parshas Vayelach

#TDSA Belongs #TDSA Inspires #TDSA Leads #TDSA Achieves



**First graders** take turns leading the morning davening. They are gaining vital leadership skills at an early age. Way to go!



**Fifth grade girls** are listening intently as their morah shares words of wisdom with them about influencing for the good.



**Fourth grade** reading partners enjoy sharing thoughts, insights, and opinions about the books they are reading.



**Middle school girls** are enthralled with Mrs. Rivka Foxbrunner's inspirational words about preparing for Yom Kippur.



**Fifth graders** choose a picture with their rebbe over ice cream as a prize for great learning. That is true respect and kavod.



**Third graders'** "morning meeting" includes an interesting and captivating dvar Torah from their Rebbe.



Mr. Fairbanks has the **eighth graders** creating brochures using descriptive text, engaging illustrations and much more.



**First grade girls** can say kaparos in preparation for Yom Kippur with a chicken puppet made from a sock!



Many of TDSA's **sixth graders** know much more than they think. They can name the continents by size and all of the oceans!

### Mazel Tov!

TDSA Parents Mr. Josh and Mrs. Ella Bains on the birth of a son

### Calendar of Events!

**Tuesday, October 8**

12 Noon Dismissal - Erev Yom Kippur

**Wednesday, October 9**

No School - Yom Kippur

**Thursday, October 10**

School Resumes (regular time)

**Monday, Oct. 14 - Wednesday, Oct. 23**

No School Succos Break

**Thursday, October 24**

School Resumes (regular time)

**Wednesday, October 30**

School Pictures - Girls

**Thursday, October 31**

School Pictures - Boys

*We will be offering sibling pictures on both days. More information to follow.*

### Day of Learning

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In Honor of the Jewish Community

**Please sponsor a day of learning in honor or in memory of a loved one, for a refuah shleimah, or to celebrate a milestone occasion or simcha.**

*Over 340 students will be davening and learning Torah on their behalf.*

*Please contact Marcy Kalnitz at [mkalnitz@torahday.org](mailto:mkalnitz@torahday.org) or 404.982.0800 ext. 101.*

### Be a PARENT AMBASSADOR!

Please contact Mrs. Leslee Morris at [lmorris@torahday.org](mailto:lmorris@torahday.org) or call 404.982.0800 ext. 100 if you know of any family who may want to join our TDSA community. Recruitment for 2020-2021 is already under way!

**THE NEXT SPOTLIGHT WILL BE ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1**



There's an app for Box Tops! Download, follow the directions, and SCAN your grocery receipts.

Clipped paper box tops are also being collected and should be turned in to the school office by Friday, October 11th.

### Special Speakers During Aseres Yemei Teshuva

During the time between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur there are only about 3 "normal" days to reflect on our relationship with Hashem and with our friends and family shared Rabbi Ilan Feldman, TDSA's Rabbinic Advisor. Unlike processional caterpillars, who only follow the lead of the caterpillar in front of them, people have the capability to think, reflect, and take responsibility for their actions. As a side note, he shared with the students how unique they are in that the majority of Jewish children throughout the world are not learning Navi, Rashi, Chumash, or Gemora as they are, nor do they have a concept of middos tovos. Our community of students are certainly blessed to have access to Torah learning in their homes and at school.



Mrs. Foxbrunner brought forward the idea that deciding to take on a mitzvah will make it more exciting and integral to you personally. Just by doing it! During this time of year, we often try to take on something more stringently or more carefully. It's Hashem's way of bringing us closer. How truly inspiring!



### TDSA on Facebook!



Please **LIKE** and **SHARE** TDSA's Facebook Page with your friends and family! When you share our posts, more people can see all the wonderful, creative learning going on in our school. Search for the Torah Day School facebook page.

### FLASH BACK FRIDAY!



This little one created a beautiful succah decoration circa 2012. Where is she now? She still has siblings at TDSA but

what is she up to? She's probably in high school. Who can name this alum? Speaking of alumni, if you have alumni children or know of any alumni, please send their contact information to Mrs. Leslee Morris at [lmorris@torahday.org](mailto:lmorris@torahday.org). We want to connect with our alumni!

Oriya Khalil!!!

### FAST FORWARD FRIDAY!

This TDSA graduate is rocking it! She just accepted a new position as Executive Coordinator for Volcani International. After teaching at the Yeshiva of Greater Washington for close



to 10 years, she currently lives in Israel with her husband and children! She's a true STEAM person, with a Master's in Molecular Biology! Watch out, she's also a volunteer medic for Hatzalah of Israel! Who remembers this mover and shaker?

Shira Manheim Kasser



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