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Elul 5786

Dear Parents, עמור"ש

We hope that you and your children had a healthy, relaxing, and enjoyable summer. As always, Yeshiva Ketana is anticipating an exciting year of growth for our talmidim in limud ha'Torah, yiras shamayim, and midos tovos. Please keep in mind that nit check takes place on Wednesday, August 19th before Yeshiva begins.

Please note that the first day of Yeshiva for grades 1-8 (Limudei Kodesh only) will IY"H be on Thursday, August 20th. There will be no classes on Sunday, August 23. The First day of Pre1A will be Monday, August 24th, with an early dismissal. Nursery orientation will be on Wednesday, August 26th, which will also be the first day for Kindergarten and the first full day for Pre1A. The first day of General Studies (full day schedule) will also be on Wednesday, August 26th, and the first full day for all grades (N-8) will be on Thursday, August 27th. Please check the enclosed school calendar for details regarding arrival and dismissal times.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming our new staff members to the YKLI family this year. In our Preschool department, we wish צאתכם לשלום to Morah Malky Cohen on her move to Lakewood after 29 years of exceptional chinuch here in YKLI. We're happy to welcome Mrs. Aviva Greenbaum and Mrs. Elisheva Kreindler who will be joining the Preschool as Co-Morahs in the newly named kindergarten class, KA. We're also excited to announce Morah Rocky Lugassy will be moving from Kindergarten to teach our new nursery track, class NR and Ms. Rachelli Stern will be taking over for her as the Co-Morah in Morah Tzippy's KT class for the afternoons.

In our Limudei Kodesh department, we are fortunate to have Rabbi Dovid Shmaya Teitelbaum join us as the 6th grade Rebbe for our new 6M track (not to be confused with our returning 6T Rebbe, also Rabbi Dovid Teitelbaum!) Rabbi Teitelbaum is a talmid of Yeshiva of Far Rockaway, the Mir, and BMG. He has Smicha from YFR, and a Master of Social Work from LIU. He is also a Licensed Certified Social Worker. He has been a Rebbe in the P'TACH Mesivta program in Chaim Berlin for the last nine years, as well as program director for the last five years. We are thrilled that he has accepted our offer and are truly fortunate to have him join the YKLI family.

In our General Studies department, we are excited to welcome the current 2D Rebbe, Rabbi Boruch Danzger as our new 6th grade ELA teacher. Rabbi Danzger previously taught ELA in MAY and we are looking forward to his experience and expertise being used in an expanded role in the school. We are also very happy to welcome back Mrs. Esther Malka Parnes, who will be taking over Mrs.

Fuksbrumer's 3rd grade class this year, while Mrs. Fuksbrumer will be moving to the resource department. Mrs. Tziporah Paull will be switching from 6th grade ELA to 6th grade science and Mrs. Amy Bodner will be teaching science to the new 6th grade track in addition to teaching 6th grade math. Mr. Simcha Klein will be teaching social studies to the new 6th grade track in addition to teaching 8th grade ELA and Mrs. Fraidy Spigel will continue on as STEM teacher, while also teaching science to the 7th grade.

As we eagerly anticipate the start of a new school year, we ask you all to please work together with us as we pursue all-around excellence in the chinuch of our children. It is imperative that the ideals of the home complement those of the yeshiva. You will have received our YKLI Student Handbook in a separate email already. Please look out for it, read it through carefully, and familiarize yourselves with the yeshiva's expectations, as they are critical for the success of your child. **Please pay careful attention to the dress code when you shop for school clothing, especially in light of recent changes to the policy for the eighth grade.** In addition, please review the contents of this packet, and return the appropriate forms as indicated, as they are of great significance. If you have any issues, concerns, or suggestions, please reach out to us. The more we work in tandem on the chinuch of our children, the more we can elevate ourselves to be an even greater makom Torah, as we continue to produce wonderful b'nei Torah who make us all proud.

Enjoy the remaining few hours of the summer break!

We look forward to greeting your son(s) this coming Thursday.

B'yedidus,

Rabbi Tzvi Krigsman
Menahel

Rabbi Avi Schulman
S'gan Menahel

Rabbi Shlomo Dovid Pfeiffer
S'gan Menahel