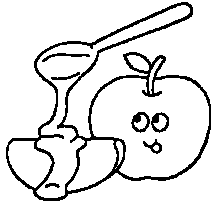


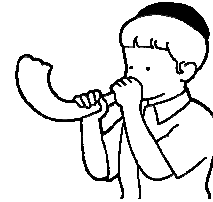
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Dear Parents,

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NEWS

Candle lighting times:
Eve of first day of Rosh Hashana
6:41 pm
Eve of second day of Rosh Hashana
7:37 pm



School got off to an exciting start with relatively smooth adjustment from the children. Our focus was on simple routines, name recognition and of course *Rosh Hashanah*. We've put special emphasis on getting to know one another, knowing each others names, doing *Mitzvot* (good deeds), giving *Tzedakah* (charity) and becoming a community of caring and sharing individuals.

We made healthy food placemats and talked about taking care for our bodies, washing our *Yadayim* (hands), and brushing our *Shinayim* (teeth). We made stuffed *Shofars*, pretending to blow on them while singing our *Shofar* song.

Shofar Song

T.T.T.O. The wheels on the bus

The shofar in the shul goes
toot toot toot x3

The shofar in the shul goes
toot toot toot, on Rosh Hashana morning.

Picture of the Week

(for more, visit www.JewishELC.org)



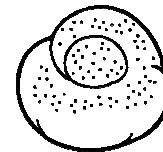
We read many *Rosh Hashana* books and sang songs pertaining to the holidays (wait till you hear our songs about Sukkot!). Some of our holiday activities included baking round Challah, making an apple & honey dish and a "shopping" for apples and honey game.

Some of our daily routines included one on one correspondence (counting), properly lining up, jumping in the moon bounce, problem solving, sequencing, play dough, "helping hands" helping setting the table etc. and of course one of our favorite activities is outdoor time.

We are enjoying your adorable children very much and are looking forward to a happy and sweet year together.

Best wishes to you and your families in 5770.

Morah Myrna, Morah Chani, Morah Grace and Morah Kelly



P.S. Your junk is our treasure. After the holidays please send in your new year cards. Other treasures.... Toilet paper/ paper towel rolls, buttons, fabric, newspaper, circulars, boxes, egg cartons, lace and trim etc. When in doubt, we will throw it out. Thank you!