

## SEPTEMBER 24, 2014 NEWSLETTER

**ROSH HASHANAH, Candle Lighting 6:32** 

## Dear Parents,



The older children in the class have been practicing writing their names, playing color and mitzvah games, memory games, as well as spelling, letter recognition and calendar.

Working as a team and staying focused on tasks for longer periods have also been a focus. The younger children have all made amazing progress learning simple routines, like learning our names, keeping the toys where they belong, taking turns, sharing, doing mitzvoth (good Deeds), and giving tzedakah. We feel like everyone is getting more comfortable with the new environment and teachers, and are finding it easier to separate in the mornings, excited to get going with the day each morning!

In circle time we are learning about Rosh Hashanah. We go to shul, hear the shofar and dip apples in honey for a sweet new year. We read many books, including 'Its Shofar Time' by Latifa Berry and 'Sammy Spider's First Rosh Hashanah' by Silvia A. Rouss. The children really loved the stories and got very excited when they recognized the themes mentioned in the books from our Rosh Hashana circles!!



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As Rosh Hashana is a time for increasing in good deeds, we have also been discussing all the mitzvotgood deeds that we can do! Please send in Mitzvah notes when your child does a good deed so we can all share in it together, and it will hang proudly from our Mitzvah Tree. The children feel so proud when they get praised for all the special mitzvot that they do! To help, please see attached sheet with apple mitzvah note templates!

The children really enjoy doing projects. They are bringing home an apple and honey dish, a stuffed shofar, their apple printing and a special New Year's card, all of which is their own work from start to finish, and looks beautiful!

We are enjoying your adorable children and are looking forward to a happy and sweet year together . Wishing you a happy, sweet New Year!

> CHAG SAMEACH! Morah Debby and Morah Tamari 😳

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## HELP FILL UP OUR MITZVAH TREE WITH APPLES FOR A SWEET NEW YEAR! WE'D LOVE TO HEAR ABOUT THE GOOD DEEDS YOUR CHILD HAS BEEN DOING!

