

Dear Third Graders and Families,

We hope that you are enjoying the summer. We are excitedly planning for the upcoming school year. The first day of school for Third Grade will be on **Tuesday, September 3rd**. Time will be provided during the day for students to unpack their supplies and to get settled. SchoolKidz supplies will be delivered directly to the classroom.

On the first day of school please send in:

- 2 peanut/nut-free nutritious snacks (PM snack should be parve)
- Meat or parve lunch (if you bring your own lunch)
- Siddur and summer reading book

Here are just a few of the exciting things we will be working on this year:

* Research Skills - We will be visiting the JKHA library and learning how to use the resources that will help us find information needed to complete assignments.

* Reading - We will work to strengthen our reading skills by analyzing a variety of texts. You will learn new vocabulary and strengthening reading comprehension skills. This includes conducting several novel studies.

* Writing - We will become more proficient writers and express ideas in cohesive sentences. This will be done using organization, creativity, descriptive language and new vocabulary.

* Project-Based Learning - We will create projects implementing our new knowledge about a particular unit of study. Also, we will create projects associated with the various Chaggim.

* Inquiry-Based Learning - We will be doing a lot of learning by first asking questions and then discovering the answers with hands on activities.

* Kabbalat Shabbat - We will usher in the Shabbat by singing songs from the tefilot.

* Rashi - We will learn who Rashi was and recognize the Rashi letters to become comfortable reading Rashi script.

* Chanukah Extravaganza - We will perform a skit and songs to celebrate the holiday.

* Technology - We will practice our skills by using the Smart Board, apps on the iPad and different websites.

Most importantly, we will most certainly have a lot of fun while learning!

We are eagerly awaiting your bright smile and shining face!

See you soon!

Your Third Grade Morot and Teachers