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CJDS 6th graders hit the road on Pittsburgh graduation trip

By: Dovi W.



The 6th graders left Tuesday for an adventure in Pennsylvania to celebrate their graduation! Jack, Misha, Raiden, Gabe, and Sam (pictured above) piled into a van with Eran and Mr. M. The group will visit the Tree of Life Synagogue, enjoy a special program with students at the Jewish Pittsburgh Community Day School, and take part in many other cultural and service-oriented activities. Safe travels!

Readers Respond:

What's your favorite thing about summer?

"I love having time to do special things with my family." -Dr. Z

"The produce of course! There are so many types of veggies and fruits." -Mrs. Ali Greenland

"We like to go to the pool!" -Eva (4th), Marleigh (K)

"I get to go to camp with Yael and I really like riding my bike and getting ice cream." -Sasha (2nd)

"My favorite thing about summer is that it is usually sunny, and you can play outside." -Noah (5th)

CJDS students learn about determination and survival from special guest, Mor Sapir

By: Dafna S.



Mor Sapir talks with 1st graders and kindergartners and poses with 5th grader, Ethan.

Mor Sapir talked with students about motivation and survival. Mor Sapir lost all of his fingers from frost bite during a snow storm in Nepal.

First grader, Naomi R. thought that Mor's story was very interesting. 5th grader Ma'ayan C. thinks that the most inspiring thing about Mor was that he kept getting knocked down, but he never gave up.

After many years of physical therapy, he decided to try rock climbing with a friend. Mor said, "To see things you've never seen, you have to do things you've never done."

Tea Ceremony offers sips of culture and respect for others

By: Ruth D. and Ruthie M.



Eva, Caleb and Ruth enjoy tea.



Morah Ari bows in thanks during the ceremony. Photo by: Jenny Glick



Tea powder is mixed with hot water and whisked. Photo by: Ruth D.

Five women volunteered their time to teach CJDS students about the Japanese tea ceremony ritual. One of the “performers,” Keiko Hidakasaidi, explained that the tea ceremony represents respect for others.

The host bows when serving a guest tea to show gratitude. The tea is served the same way every time. Keiko said, “We don’t do it the same way to memorize it but by practicing the ritual, we improve our spiritual practice.”

Fifth grader, Ma’ayan C. said, “The tea wasn’t too sweet, and the flavor was unique.”

Did you know?

The Japanese tea ceremony is an ancient ritual dating back 500 years ago.

A complete tea ceremony lasts four hours.

Women dress in ornate, brightly colored kimonos and carry matching parasols to formal ceremonies.



Try a version of your own tea ceremony:

1. Brew tea, let it cool
2. Eat something sweet (such as dates)
3. Stay silent and think grateful thoughts
4. Pour the tea
5. Serve the tea
6. Bow in thanks to the person serving the tea as they bow to you

The Jungle Book Cast is ready to perform

By: Zeke M.

While it is too late to join the cast, everyone is invited to watch CJDS students perform their play, *The Jungle Book*, directed by Gallery Players’ Artistic Director, Giselle Siegel.

Students have been rehearsing since January and have five more rehearsals before the performance.

The performance is Sunday, May 19th at 4pm at the JCC in New Albany.





“I learned how special a Jewish community is, and how lucky we are to practice Judaism together.”

-Chloe Wasserstrom, CJDS Alumnae (2013)

Alumnae comments on the specialness of her Jewish Community

By: Ma’ayan C.

Columbus Jewish Day School alumnae Chloe Wasserstrom (class of 2013) will be visiting our school this month and talking with the 6th grade class. We were able to interview her about her experience at CJDS.

She said, “One of my favorite things about attending school there was the community. To me, CJDS felt home-like and I always felt supported and close to my teachers. I also learned how special a Jewish community is, and how lucky we are to practice Judaism together.”

Chloe will be going to Poland and Israel for two weeks at the end of this month. “I plan to incorporate some of the things I learn there in my speech at graduation!” She will graduate from Bexley High School in May and begin college at the University of Colorado in Boulder. This is exciting because she plans to, “...ski six months out of the year.”

Phoebe Wasserstrom (class of 2015), and Wendy Wasserstrom (class of 2016) are Chloe’s sisters who also attended CJDS. Her parents, Jennifer and Eric Wasserstrom said, “CJDS fills such an important need in our community!” Chloe’s mom, Jennifer, was a board member at CJDS.



Performers share advice after Musical Kabbalat Shabbat

By: Rony A.



Students are allowed to select their own pieces, and they work hard with Mr. Angelo to practice and develop their performing skills, confidence, timing, pitch, tempo and team work. The Dance Club meets once a week to move their bodies, enjoy music, and practice for performances.

For the CJDS Musical Kabbalat Shabbat, many students performed, sharing meaningful and moving music. They sang, danced, and played instruments.

One of the many performers was 6th grader Sam F. Sam sang two songs, played the piano, and his guitar. Sam said, “If you have the will power to sit in a room with seven people and argue about a song, then still get it done, you have what it takes to succeed.”

Gabe Z., a 6th grader, played a piano solo. Gabe said he’d like to be in a band in the future and get paid. When asked what advice he has for others who want to get into music, he said, “Do it! Have fun – but don’t spend too much money.”

The CJDS Dance Club, two student bands, and many students from upper grade levels performed. Dr. Z congratulated participants and Mr. Angelo afterwards saying, “We have amazing talent here. Thank you for sharing your gifts with us.”

Please share your word searches, crossword puzzles, or jokes for our final Chronicles edition this year.

Have a laugh!

Jokes collected and reviewed by Dovi W., 4th grade

Why did the fisherman bring peanut butter to the ocean? He was trying to catch jelly fish.

Why did the cookie go to the doctor? It felt crummy.

What do you get when you cross a chicken and a millipede? Drumsticks for everybody!

Why do seagulls fly over the sea? Because if they flew over the bay, they'd be bagels.

Why did the rooster cross the road? It was the chicken's day off.

How many months have 28 days? All of them.

Ideas for summer break activities

By: Adi A., 1st grade and Daniel G., 1st grade

Start a car wash business.

Become a dog walker.

Learn how to paint.

Start your own YouTube channel.

Conduct a science experiment.

Cook a meal for your family.

Grow your own tomatoes.

Find an Israeli pen pal and practice your Hebrew.

Start a book club.

CJDS Puzzles and Game Section

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CJDS Newspaper Staff – getting creative for spring!



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