

What's New in Grade 2?

מה חדש בכיתה ב'?

Thursday, May 2, 2019

This week, we:

- Began reading the book *Shiloh*.
- Started a new math unit on measurement, and measured objects around the classroom in inches.
- Continued researching fun facts about our states and writing new chapters of our state books.
- Discussed the difference between the homophones there/their/they're and to/two/too.
- Learned about the symbolism of Israel's flag, and decorated our own flags in anticipation of Yom Haatzmaut next week. We also started creating our own games about Israel!
- Started our unit about food - focusing on the word "to eat" and the different kinds of foods we like and do not like to eat.
- Studied *Parshat Acharei Mot*, and discussed the rituals of the Kohen Gadol on Yom Kippur as he asked for forgiveness on behalf of the Israelites, as well as the roots of the Torah and God's connection to us through the Torah's words.
- In honor of Yom Hashoa, we read two special books: *The Tattooed Torah*, and *the Whispering Town*. We spoke about our mission to bring light to the world by being kind to others-people who are like us and who are different from us.

Of Special Note:

- The Second Grade State Fair will be on Thursday, May 16 from 9:15-10:15. State Fair maps are due on Monday, May 13. Please contact Julie if you have any questions.
- Save the Date for the CJDS school play on Sunday, May 19 at 4pm in the gymnasium. The CJDS Drama Club will be presenting *The Jungle Book Kids*. Parents, Siblings, Aunts and Uncles are all invited. It will be a lot of fun with music, dancing, and costumes! Presented by Giselle Siegel, Artistic Director of the JCC Gallery Players.

Questions for your kids:

- Who are the main characters we have met in the book *Shiloh*?

- What does the blue and white symbolize on the Israeli flag?
- What did the Kohen Gadol do to ask for forgiveness for the Israelites on Yom Kippur in ancient times?



