

# What's New in Grade 1?

## מה חדש בכתה א?

Thursday, January 17, 2019/11 Tevet 5779

We had a wonderful week of school! Some things we did were:

- Science - We learned about mold and fungus. We started a science experiment to show how dirty hands will spread germs.
- English-We added new word patterns including: -ing, -ang, -ong, -ung.
- Math - We continued to work on measurement
- Hebrew-learned the letter *sameh*, drew *sode* (secret) pictures for classmates to guess
- Judaics-Continued learning about *Tu B'Shevat* (the New Year for the trees): tree parts in Hebrew, what we do on *Tu B'Shevat*, the seven species mentioned in the *Torah*
- Integration-The students wrote in journals about their areas of weakness in the classroom (where they might need to consult with an expert), decorated capes to display our "superpowers" (strengths) and students wore the capes to let their classmates know the areas in which they can help
- Music- continued learning solfege (a method used to teach pitch and sight singing)
- Environmental Ed-had a seder for *Tu B'Shevat*
- Mr AG and the students had a closing time together

Ask your child:

- Name one of the seven species (wheat, barley, grapes, figs, pomegranate, olives, dates)
- What are we supposed to do on *Tu B'Shevat*?
- Explain where they put their bread to grow mold
- Measure an object with a non-standard unit, like hands

Reminders:

- Fri., 1/18: All School *Kabbalat Shabbat*; We will take a close look at Martin Luther King and Abraham Joshua Heschel's legacies, learn words that can be helpful to use when working for justice, and sing and march to civil rights song Ain't Gonna Let Nobody Turn Me Around. We invite you to look in your child's Friday folder for a questionnaire to fill out as a family to continue this work.
- Mon., 1/21: MLK Day--**No School**
- Fri., 2/1: Professional Development Day--**No School**

