

# EREV SHABBOS BULLETIN

פרשת בראשית / שבת מברכים  
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## A MESSAGE TO OUR PARENTS

A special welcome back to our students and their families as בחסדי ד' we were able to reopen our doors for in-person learning הלואי וייעטנו.

Yom Tov is certainly a special gift from the רבש"ע and a much needed opportunity to recharge both בגשמיות וברוחניות. However, this year it also posed many challenges for families who remained in Los Angeles as well as for those who spent Yom Tov out of town.

Many East Coast communities saw an alarming spike in the spread of the virus in the days leading up to Yom Tov, resulting in hospitalizations, patients in critical condition and the closing of shules and schools. May they have a Refuah Shleima B'Karov.

As a result, out of concern for the safety of our students and staff, the Yeshiva sent an urgent email during Chol HaMoed imposing certain restrictions on families returning from various East Coast hot spots.

We recognize that this created a hardship for a number of families, especially given the late notice. However, it was only after we learned of the alarming spread of the disease and consulting with our medical advisors that we took what was felt as the most responsible course of action.

We want to express our appreciation to those families most directly affected, who adhered to the Yeshiva's guidelines and kept their children home for the required 5 days followed by a COVID19 test.

We also want to thank the many parents who sent emails in support of these precautionary measures.

We are living through challenging times but as Klall Yisroel has done since Golus Mitzrayim, we turn to the Ribono Shel Olam in Tefila, that His מדת הרחמים should negate the מדת הדין and allow the year of א' תשפ"א to be a year of ברכה וישועה.

## CHINUCH THOUGHTS

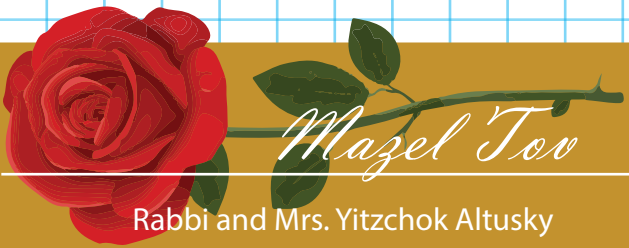
Chazal tell us that Creation was not a one-time event, but rather it is an ongoing process. When a carpenter builds a table or a tailor makes a suit, once the product is finished, the craftsman is totally out of the picture. The table or the suit's existence is no longer dependent on their manufacturer.

This is not the case with הקב"ה and the בריאה. Without the continuous force of creation that initially brought the world into being, the entire universe would cease to exist. We refer to this several times in our daily tefilos. In Birchah Krias Shema, we say בכל יום תמיד המחדש בטובו ובחיה את אתה מחיה את ויברך דוד מעשה בראשית. Also in ויברך דוד we say מחיה את אתה מחיה את ויברך דוד. כולם. This means that creation is an ongoing process, where we are recreated every day and even every minute.

The Sifrei Mussar say that this carries an important life's message for us all. We are to approach each new day as a new בראשית. What caused us disappointment, frustration and even a sense of hopelessness, yesterday or even a moment ago, should not prevent us from moving on. Today is not only a new day it's also a new world. We are also not the same person we were a day or even a minute ago. This applies to our personal growth in ruchniyus, the chinuch of our children, our health, our parnasa, shiduchim or the world pandemic.

It is customary to connect the end of the Torah with the beginning. The Torah ends with the words לעיני כל ישראל and begins with בראשית ברא אלקים.

A possible message could be that we must always be aware that Hashem is constantly creating new beginnings. An important message to keep in mind as we begin a new zman of learning and the new year א' תשפ"א.



Rabbi and Mrs. Yitzchok Altusky

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Marriage of Yankie

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Birth of a son

Mr. and Mrs. Efraim Kimelblat

Birth of a son

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Marriage of a grandson

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Birth of a son

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Birth of a son

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Birth of a daughter

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Marriage of a grandson

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### REMINDER TO PARENTS

Please make sure that your children leave home with a mask. (Cloth masks are preferable), The Yeshiva does not have a stock of disposable masks.

Additionally, please send your child with enough water to last the day. It is extremely hot and the children need to have enough water.

Please do not send soup cups with your children. We cannot provide hot water, as it is a hazard for the children.

### CONDOLENCES

Mr. Moishe Chopp  
on the loss of his mother

Rabbi S. M. Tarkieltaub  
on the loss of his mother

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GOOD  
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