

GETTING TO KNOW OUR INCOMING 6th GRADERS

Before a sixth Grader begins Middle school, we like to have a pretty good idea of who he is. We like to know:

- His strengths and challenges
- What he enjoys doing when not in school
- Who's in his family
- What are his talents
- Which teachers/*Rebbeim* were his favorite
- What is his learning style

We dedicate much time getting to know your son between now and the first day of school:

- We meet with each parent to get your parent's view of your child.
- The Fifth Grade teachers and *Rebbeim* fill out reports for us and give a school view of your child as a student.
 - We check into the elementary file to see patterns of strengths and weaknesses as well as any relevant educational information.
 - We meet with the Principals of Elementary to get to know the group as a whole, as well as to receive any important communication on an individual.
 - Rabbi Schwartz and Rabbi Majeski meet over the summer to collate the information on each student and place each one in the best possible classes for each individual.

During the beginning of the new school year:

- We stay in close communication with the teachers to assess each student's adjustment.
- We encourage the students to meet with us and take advantage of our "open door" policy.
- We encourage the parents to call the teacher, or administrators, to clarify any policies or procedures.
- We are in the halls, in the classrooms, on the ballfield, near the lockers, and everywhere possible to be available for immediate help.

We look forward to a year of growth, *Hatzlacha U'bracha* with our *talmidim*!