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## י״ב אדר ב' תשפ״ד

## PURIM SAMEACH FROM EVERYONE AT TAMIM ACADEMY NYC. A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL PARENTS FOR THE PTA MISHLOACH MANOT

## WE HAVE HAD SUCH FUN LEARNING SO MUCH ABOUT PURIM!

This week we finished learning the Megillah and story of Purim. Finally, the miracle began to unfold as Achashverosh couldn't sleep and he heard the story of Mordechai saving his life but realizing that he was never rewarded. Achashverosh asked Haman what should be done to the man the king wishes to honor and told him to carry out his suggestion for Mordechai! Queen Esther hosted the second feast. When Achashverosh asked her again for her request, she told him that Haman wants to destroy her people! Achashverosh sent Haman away and Haman and his sons were killed. Achashverosh gave Esther and Mordechai the king's ring to make a new decree that the Jewish people can fight back. On the 13th day of Adar the Jewish people fought and won! They celebrated that Hashem saved them and turned around the evil decrees into a day of joy. We discussed the four mitzvot of Purim and the importance of including our whole community in the joy of Purim by giving Mishloach Manot and Matanot L'evyonim.



Tamim Learners also searched the Megillah text for Hashem's name and to their surprise they could not find it written even once! We talked about miracles versus nature. They learned that nature is the way Hashem created the world to run. Sometimes Hashem changes the usual way that the world operates and that is a miracle! Sometimes things look natural but we still remind ourselves that it is Hashem who makes everything happen. This is a hidden miracle, and the story of Purim was a hidden miracle.

The Tamim Learners worked together on a collaborative Megillah booklet, writing and illustrating the story of Purim. Each child has brought one home to share with their families - everyone should be so proud of what they achieved together. They also designed and created their own unique graggers with a variety of materials, spending much time perfecting their designs. No Purim would be complete without hamantashchen - we were so lucky to have Isabel Mael visit us this week to teach everyone how to make them! On Thursday we had a very special opportunity to spread Purim joy by singing our Purim songs at The Atria, and sharing Hamantaschen with the residents. Thank to Morah Pearl for accompanying us on the guitar. The week ended with our fabulous Purim Carnival which we will write up next week.

Enjoy our children's songlist here: Tamim NYC Songs 23/24 parents - playlist by Sara | Spotif

NYC Shabbat Candle Lighting: 6:53 p.m., Shabbat ends 7:52 p.m.

This is what the Tamim Learners are saying about their Purim learning!
"I loved learning the story of Purim because it has so many details in it!" (Rocky)
"I loved making the graggers because I like making things from scratch. I made a plan, but I didn't follow it and I think it turned out even better!" (Bowie)
"I liked it when we made the Purim masks with our family because my sister, Eden, made one as well!" (Izzy)
"I liked making hamantaschen because my Mommy came into class to do it with us!" (Malka)
"My favorite Purim song is Leytzan Katan Nechmad, because it is about a clown!" (Ryan)
"I really liked learning in the Megilla how Mordechai helped Esther to be so brave!" (Risha)
"I loved making the Purim masks because my Tatty came into class and did it with me!" (Golda)
"I loved learning how to make hamantashen because they tasted so good!" (Ori)
"I loved making our graggers because we got to choose what we wanted to make and what to use!" (Oscar)
"My favorite Purim song is 'Layehidim Hayat Ora'. I also love it when we sing 'Vayehee Bimei Achashverosh' in a round.' (Rashi)
"I loved making hamantaschen because they were so yummy!" (Shai)
"I learned from the Megillah that if something scares you, you can be brave by remembering Hashem is always with you." (Yosef)
"I liked that I was nervous at first to sing in front of everyone at The Atria, but then I wasn't nervous and found out I was excited!" (Sonny)
THANK YOU TO ALL THE TAMIM ACADEMY NYC TEACHERS FOR WORKING SO INCREDIBLY HARD TO CREATE SUCH A WONDERFUL PURIM LEARNING EXPERIENCE FOR THE CHILDREN!