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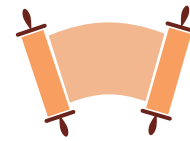
כ"ח אדר א' תשפ"ד

Sharing our Purim Learning with You

This week we embarked on an exciting journey into the holiday of Purim! Here's a glimpse into what we have been exploring: We began by understanding the context of the Megillah by tracing the timeline of Jewish history leading up to the events of Purim. We also took a closer look at the map to identify the Persian Empire and the city of Shushan, where much of the Purim story unfolds. One highlight was seeing an authentic Megillah scroll! Through activities like using our felt board and wearing costumes, we brought the story of the Megillah to life. As we learn the story, we pause to reflect and discuss the profound lessons woven throughout. It is wonderful to hear the insightful thoughts and ideas shared by our Tamim Learners. Together, we've explored themes such as making wise choices despite external influences, the importance of leadership and heeding sound advice, the beauty of kindness and inner goodness, and the comforting presence of Hashem in our lives. We are thrilled to see the enthusiasm and curiosity with which your children are embracing this learning journey. Their questions and contributions to our discussions enrich our lessons!

Here are some of the key terms from the Megillah that we have been incorporating into our discussions:

- Beit Hamelech (palace)
- Hamelech Achashverosh (King Achashverosh)
- Malka (Queen)



Ask your child these questions to hear more:

1. When did the story of Purim take place? (After the destruction of the first Beit Hamikdash, and after Galut Bavel.)
2. Who ruled the Persian empire? How many countries did he rule? (King Achashverosh ruled 127 countries.)
3. When the king announced his party, what choice did the Jewish people have to make? (They had to decide if they should go or not go and listen to Mordechai, their leader.)
4. Did Esther want to go to the palace when the king was looking for a new queen, and why? (No, she did not want to be in a place where most people did not share her values, and she did not want to be chosen as queen.)
5. What did Mordechai tell her before she went? (Do not tell anyone that you are a Jew and remember that Hashem is with you.)
6. What does Esther mean, why did she get that name? (Hidden; her Jewish identity was hidden from others.)
7. Are there times when you have to make a smart choice when those around you do not? Just like the Jewish people who did not go to the party, or Esther sticking to her values in the palace.

Wishing you a Shabbat Shalom! (please turn over for more Purim fun...)

PURIM PARENT REMINDERS!

This coming Monday, March 11, 8:30 - 9:15 a.m. Rosh Chodesh Family Purim mask making. Please keep collecting coins to bring to school on Friday, March 22 for our Purim carnival.

Can you sing these Purim Songs at home?.

[Tamim NYC Songs 23/24 parents - playlist by Sara | Spotify](#)

Mishenichnas Adar (2 different tunes)

Vayehi Bimai Ahashverosh (see lyrics below)

Chag Purim (see lyrics below)

Al HaNissim

LaYehudim (see lyrics below)

Shoshanat Ya'akov

Leytzan Katan Nechmad (see lyrics below)



Please help your child to keep practicing these songs at home - you can use the playlist above.
We will be giving a mini concert at The Atria of our Purim songs on Thursday, March 21!

VEYEHI BIMAI AHASHVEROSH

Vayehi Bimei Achashverosh , Hu Achashverosh x2

Hamolech MeHodu v'Ad Kush x2

Sheva v'Esrim Umeah Medinah x2

It was in the days of Ahashverosh, he was Ahashverosh. x2

The King from India to Ethiopia, x2

127 countries he did rule. x2

(repeat all of the above)

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CHAG PURIM

Chag Purim, Chag Purim, Chag Gadol Hu La'Yehudim,

Masechot Ra'ashanim, Shirim v'Rikudim

Hava Narisha, Rash, Rash, Rash! BaRashanim.

Purim Day, Purim Day, What a happy holiday,

We'll make noise, with our toys, sing and dance and play.

Hava Narisha, Rash, Rash, Rash! BaRashanim.



LAYEHUDIM

Layehudim, Layehudim haytah orah, V'simcha v'sason vikar. x4



SHOSHANAT YAAKOV

Shoshanat Yaakov, tzahala v'samecha, birotam yachad, tchelet Mordechai. (x2)

T'shuatam hayita lanetzach, vetikvatam b'chol dor vador,

Baruch Mordechai haYehudi. (x2)



LEYTZAN KATAN NECHMAD

Leytzan katan nechmad, Roked im kol echad, Leytzan Katan Sheli, Oolai tirkod itee.

Oolai, Oolai, Oolai tirkod itee. Oolai. Oolai, Oolai tirkod itee.

