



Middle School Weekly Calendar 18 September 2015 / 5 Tishrei 5776





PARASHA VAYELECH

Candle Lighting

Begins 18h15 Ends 19h14

EVERY DAY 100%

On the last day of his life, Moses addresses the Jewish people. He is 120 years old and has certainly made his mark and yet, the Torah introduces this last speech in a unique way. Moshe addressed the nation umpteen times as their leader. This time, though, it says: "Vayeilech Moshe vayedaber ... " – "And Moshe went and spoke ... ". The Torah does not simply say that Moshe spoke. It says that he 'went and spoke'. Why? To teach us something profound about the way Moshe lived his life, up until the very last day.

Moshe went. **Moshe was always going**. He was never static. There was always a destination, a vision, a goal. He was always in process, even on the very last day. In fact, as opposed to angels – which are known as 'omdim' (standing ones) by the sages, because of their static, albeit lofty, status – human beings are termed: 'holchim' (goers / moving ones), because we are always in a dynamic state, or **should** be.

Moshe may have been physically stationery when he delivered this last speech. And he was certainly 'in the moment', but he was still striving to be ever-elevated through this experience, as with every experience, even on this very last day of his life.

The lesson is clear: Live every day 100%, with purpose and vision. See yourself as being 'in process' always. Always strive to be different after every day, every experience, every interaction, no matter how old – or how young – you are.

Moshe lived like that until his very last day. So can we.

Shabbat Shalom

Rabbi Brett Head of Chief Rabbi's Beit Midrash

Week at a Glance

TERM 3: WEEK 8

SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS COURSE: 9h00 - 12h00

BREEDE RIVER DEPARTS

MONDAY 21 SEPTEMBER - DAY 1

ROSH HASHANAH: SCHOOL CLOSED

TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER - DAY 2

EREV YOM KIPPUR: SCHOOL CLOSES AT 11h30

BREEDE RIVER RETURNS

WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER

YOM KIPPUR: SCHOOL CLOSED

THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER

HERITAGE DAY: SCHOOL CLOSED

FRIDAY 24 SEPTEMBER - DAY 3

School News

First Aid Course

Anyone interested in doing the Level 1 and Level 3 First Aid course on Wednesday 30 September, must collect a form containing more information from Mrs Fainstein in the office.

D6 Communicator

A problem with the alerts not coming through as a notification was experienced on some Android phones (iPhones excluded). Should you be experiencing this issue, just uninstall your current app, go to the Playstore and install the new version that has been uploaded. Should your desktop app hang at all, please take a screenshot and mail it to: support@school-communicator.com. They will investigate this problem case by case to troubleshoot the problem. Alternatively, you can contact them directly on 0860 22 11 36 to chat to a technician.

My School Card

Please don't forget to swipe your My School card at any partner store to get the points. It's not the amount that you spend but the number of times that you swipe your card that counts! Visit http://www.myschool.co.za/ to either get a new card or to update your details to include Middle School as a beneficiary. Multiple beneficiaries are possible so you can assist more than one cause if desired. Happy swiping!

Sports News

Congratulations goes to...

• Sarah Symons who won the U15 (50-60kg) class at the Len Barnes Memorial (full-contact karate) Competition moving up from her 3rd place at the WP championships.

If there are any sport related queries or issues that might arise, please feel free to contact Mr Brorson on sbrorson@herzlia.com. Parents are also encouraged to forward any sporting achievements to ensure that pupils get the necessary recognition in our weekly calendar.

Herzlia Ticket

The **HERZLIA** ticket is an exciting initiative of the Herzlia Foundation. For only R50 a month you stand a chance to win up to R2500 in prizes every month while enabling the continued existence and growth of UHS. Only 1500 tickets are sold each month, giving you more of a chance of winning.

PRIZES

First prize: R2500; **Second prize**: R1250; **Third prize**: R625; **Consolation prizes**: R200 To learn more about how the Herzlia Ticket works and see the list of winners each month please Click here

Communal Notices

The Jewish Community of Cape Town has a variety of talks, events, markets and fund raisers for more information click here