BET TORAH PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Dear Families,

Welcome to a new year at Bet Torah Nursery School! We are very excited for the joy and growth that await our children. The upcoming 2015-2016 school year brings a few new projects, like our Mother's Day Tea, and a fresh take on our favorite programs for our Parents Association. And with a new year comes a new name! Previously called the PNC (Parent Network Committee), our parent group was renamed the Bet Torah Parents Association or BTPA for short. We look forward to working with all of you at some point this year in efforts to make our programs a success. We encourage you to get involved in this amazing Bet Torah community and make our preschool an even better experience for our children and each other!

The Parents Association (PA) supports our parents and teachers by sponsors the following:

Welcome Back Bagel Nosh
Round challah to kick off the school year
Weekly challah delivery service
Shabbatini - Friday evening Tot Shabbat dinner
Fall parent's cocktail party
Holiday concert
Passover parsley class project

Mother's Day Tea
Spring Mom's night out
Butterfly class project
May Teacher Appreciation luncheon
Teacher/Staff gifts
Yearbook
End of year picnic

Attached you will find our annual dues form, the challah delivery service form and a flier for our **Welcome Back Bagel Nosh**. Please join us on the first day back, Tuesday, September 8 in the synagogue library. We will be there to answer any questions you have on our programs and events, facilitate sign-up for our volunteer opportunities and collect dues payment.

We are here to help make this a great year, so please feel free to call or email with any questions.

Sincerely,

Your BTPA co-chairs: **Tahlia Bliss** 646.505.9207 tahlia.bliss@gmail.com

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BET TORAH PARENTS ASSOCIATION PARENT VOLUNTEER FORM

Your Name: Child's Name(s): E-mail Address: Home Phone: Child's Grade(s): Child's Teacher(s):

We encourage you to volunteer – your participation is vital to the success of these programs. It's also a great way to get involved and meet new people. Your help is greatly appreciated! Please bring your form to the Welcome Back Bagel Nosh or return it to the BTPA mailbox outside the Nursery School office by Friday, September 18th. **CLASS PARENTS-**Two parents needed per class to help facilitate class parties and to keep the parents informed and involved in BTPA activities. If more than two volunteer, a lottery will determine the class parents. **CHALLAH DELIVERY-** We need volunteers to help label and distribute challah Friday morning at 9:00am. Kids love to help out with this! **GARDEN VOLUNTEER-** During the Fall and/or Spring months, volunteer to help all classes in the garden. Please indicate Fall. Spring or both. **NEWSLETTER-** Volunteers needed to write short blurbs (just a few sentences!) about and/or take pictures at your child's school events (iPhone pictures are great-no cameras necessary). **FALL PARENT'S COCKTAIL PARTY -** Volunteer to help organize a great night out. **THANKSGIVING FEAST-** Volunteer to help set up for your child's Thanksgiving celebration. CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY CONCERT IN DECEMBER- Volunteers needed to help set up crafts and purchase snacks (you'll be reimbursed). SHABBATINI, FRIDAY EVENING TOT SHABBAT DINNER - We need assistance setting/cleaning up and purchasing food and paper goods (you'll be reimbursed). **HAVDALAH IN PAJAMAS-** Saturday, April 16th. We need help setting/cleaning up and purchasing food and paper goods (you'll be reimbursed). __ **SPRING MOM'S NIGHT OUT -** Volunteer to help organize a fun night out with friends. **MOTHER'S DAY TEA** - Volunteer to help plan and execute this Nursery School event. TEACHER APPRECIATION LUNCHEON - Volunteer from 11:30am-12:30pm to set up luncheon and help enrichment kids with their lunch. Date TBD, May 2016. **YEARBOOK** - New this year, we are putting together a Nursery School yearbook filled with tons of photos and sweet notes about the school year. Please help make it a success by volunteering to be a class or event photographer, writer or page editor. **END OF SCHOOL PICNIC** - Help purchase food items (you'll be reimbursed) and set up/clean up after the family picnic on Sunday, June 5th

BET TORAH PARENTS ASSOCIATION DUES FORM

BTPA dues are **\$75 per child** enrolled at Bet Torah Nursery School, which includes \$50 toward Chanukah and end of school year staff gifts plus \$25 to support various family and classroom programs throughout the year. Gift cards are given to your child's head and assistant teachers as well as other school staff including our music teacher, movement teacher, department manager, security officer and custodial staff. These gifts are truly appreciated, and everyone looks forward to receiving them.

Please complete the section below and return this form with a check payable to "Bet Torah PA" by Friday, September 18th. Payment and form can be left in the BTPA mailbox in the Nursery School office.

Child's Name	
Child's Teacher	
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