



Camp Shalom Shmooze

July 8, 2022
Parshas Chukas



Rabbi Gold's Parsha Corner

“Mah Tovu Ohalecha Yaakov – How good are your tents, Yaakov.” Chazal teach us that "your tents" is a reference to the tents of the Torah, the study halls of the Bais HaMedresh. The Ohr Hachaim Hakadosh asks that if the Pasuk is referring to Bnei Yisroel learning Torah in a Bais HaMedresh, why are the words Yaakov and Ohel used instead of Yisrael and bayis?

The Ohr Hachaim answers that the Torah specifically used the name Yaakov, to refer to the common Jew. It uses Ohel, meaning tents, which signifies a temporary state, referring to the Jew who studies whenever he can. He does so in the Bais Medrash, the spiritual home of the Jew, and not in their physical home, even if he may not be home the entire day. We see from this the importance of Torah learning taking place in a Makom Torah, a place where the environment is full of the sounds of Torah.

This has been an outstanding third week at Camp Shalom. The campers come to camp each day excited to have a day full of sports, specialties, outstanding theme days, tons of Ruach, growth in learning and middos in an atmosphere that is a Makom Torah, a place where kids can have the summer of their lives in a safe Torah environment.

Important Dates:

July 11:

Sportime USA

Boys

July 13:

Sportime USA

Girls

Nosim Trips

M: Yad Leah

T: Fantasy

Island

Amusement

Park

W-F: Poconos

Overnight

Reminders

- Please remember to send your child with a **refillable water bottle**, **sunscreen** and **snacks** every day. The children work up an appetite with their daily activities and get hungry. Only the Rishon children are provided with snack from the camp.
- **We are a nut and seed free camp.**
- All clothing should be labeled clearly with your child's name.
- Please send water shoes and towels daily for swim.



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NEWS AROUND CAMP SHALOM

What an amazing week number 3! Rishon enjoyed a week filled with playing, splashing, giggles, and fun. This week we had so much fun attending the Sherlock Holmes Show. We laughed and stayed mesmerized as we watched the actors and puppets that came to life. Fun With Fashion was great where we made really nice necklaces with straws and beads. Some of us even made patterns.

Chinuch was fun and exciting as we learned about this unique parsha and made projects about it. You can even hear us singing and reviewing the Alef Beis. Swim was a blast as we played with our Morahs in the water and practiced our skills. We had a chance to express our creativity during art and ceramics. Music and movement was so much fun as we went through an amazing obstacle course. Wishing everyone a wonderful Shabbos!

Morah Sara and Rishon staff

While there were only 4 days in camp this week,
We did so much, let me give you a peek.
"Exciting Elul" was the name of the our Theme Day
And we were greeted with many carnival games to play.
There were also inflatables - a bouncy house, obstacle course and a
giant slide too
and to cool off, we had snow cones- some red and some blue!
This week I had the special chance to learn Torah
with the girls when I subbed for their chinuch Morah.
We learned the whole parsha- even acted parts out
There were so many details that we learned about-
The parah adumah which is a "chok"- you know
Is a mitzvah we may not understand why- but we do because
Hashem said so.
How the well dried up when Miriam died,
and Moshe hit the rock- and entry to Israel was denied.
B'nai Yisrael wanted a shortcut to Israel but the kings said "No!"
So the long way around- they had to go.
And when they started to complain
They were bitten by poisonous snakes- what a pain.
I don't want to give the whole parsha away-
Ask your daughter to share more on Friday night or shabbos day!!
On Thursday we were treated to a Sherlock Holmes Jr. show
And helped solve the mystery of where the magic sword did go.
We met some witnesses who gave us some clues-
And the children figured out that the penguin did it- what great news!
We can't believe week 3 is done- we are ready for more-
Looking forward to see what week four for our **Sheini** and **Shlishi**
Girls has in store!
Have a wonderful shabbos!
Ilissa

Although week three was shorter than most, the days were packed with more fun and excitement than ever for our **Boy's Division!** We started off with enormous carnival rides, snow cones, and games. Campers had a blast zipping down slides, running through obstacle courses, and playing human Hungry Hungry Hippos. We continued the fun with our usual array of competitive sports games, exciting specialties, and creative crafts. All the boys were treated to a hysterical show from Sherlock Holmes Jr. We capped off our incredible third week with an inspirational kumsitz led by pro singer and guitarist Yoni Korbman!



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Around the Pool

Week three, what a blast at the pools!! Campers and counselors used their swim time to the max. With the hot sunny skies the pool was so refreshing to splash and cool off in.

Our focus in swim is to make the campers feel confident and trust themselves in the pool. During Instructional swim every day for each swim group, campers are learning new skills and strengthen from the two weeks before. Such as front and back float, retrieving submerged objects, combined arm and leg actions and of course perfecting our breathing while swimming. We love when we see campers practicing with the friends and helping each other out during free swim. We hope everyone has a wonderful Shabbos! See you next week!

Happy Swimming!!

The Aquatic Staff
Miri Horowitz

Rena, Avigail, Chana, Basia, Hillel, Sammy, Gavi, Shmuel

The third week with **Nosim Girls** was a blast! Tuesday was a cool hike, where we got to see a state monument. Then we came back to camp for sports, swim, and delicious pizza. On Wednesday, we went to a country state fair, where we got to enjoy bumper cars, laser tag, batting cages, mini golf, and more. Even though it was a long drive back to camp, it was worth it! We were ready to jump on Thursday at Ferox Athletics, where we bounced on trampolines and obstacle courses. We ended off the week with competitive bowling games on Friday and we are looking forward to the fun that the next week will bring!

Sports @ Shalom

One of the sports that has been especially enjoyable at camp has been volleyball/newcomb. Campers have been learning strategy and positioning. This is a great sport that relies on teamwork and non-verbal communication with teammates. Campers are leading skills that will help them both on and off the field!

Keyed by an undefeated week, the Mavericks are leading the Yosef Leagues standings:

1. **Mavericks 13-4**
2. **(tied). Warriors 8-9**
2. **(tied) Celtics 8-9**
4. **Heat 5-12**

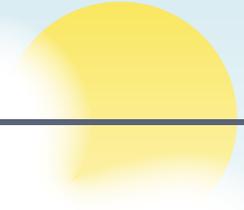
The **Nosim Boys** are exhilarated after a jam packed week 3. We started with a hike and appreciating the monument and nature at High Point State Park. On Wednesday, we went country and enjoyed bumper cars, laser tag, mini golf and more. On Thursday, we hopped through Ferox Athletics and trained for America Ninja Warrior. Friday was a relaxing, but competitive bowling bonanza. Rest up, because next week will be insane!



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PARSHAS CHUKAS Q & A

1. What is the difference between a חק and a משפט?
A משפט we know the reason for, and a חק we don't know the reason for.
2. Why is a חק so important?
Because it shows us that we always need to listen to Hashem, even if we do not understand the reason.
3. What is the פרעה אדומה?
A red cow that is entirely red and burned with hyssop, cedar, and red wool. It is then mixed with special water.
4. What is done with the פרעה אדומה mixture?
It is sprinkled on someone who is Tameh (they became Tameh from someone who passed away) on the 3rd and 7th day. The person also needs to go to a Mikveh to become Tahor (pure.)
5. What happens right after מרים dies?
Bnei Yisrael complain for water. (Rashi: There was a well that followed the Jews in the desert, because of מרים. When she died, they lost that well.)
6. What does ה' tell משה and אהרון to do? What do they do instead?
Hashem tells them to talk to the rock, but instead, they hit the rock.
7. What message do בני ישראל send to אדום?
Please let us cross through your land to get to Israel.
8. What is אדום's response?
They say we cannot cross through, and they came out with their nation and armies to say they will attack us if we try. בני ישראל do not go through אדום.
9. Where does אהרון die?
הר ההר
10. What happens at the top of הר ההר?
אהרון's special כהן גדול clothing are given to his son אלעזר (who is taking over.) אהרון dies?
11. What happens after אהרון dies?
The Jews are attacked by the כנענים.
12. According to רש"י, why does it happen right after אהרון dies?
Because there were special cloud that protected the Jews in the desert (ענני הכבוד). They were there because of אהרון, but we lost them when אהרון died.
13. What happens when בני ישראל complain to Moshe about the מן?
ה' send snakes that attack the Jewish people.
14. How are בני ישראל saved?
ה' tells Moshe to make a special snake. He lifts it up in the air, and anyone who looked up was saved.
15. Which two nations/kings attack the Jewish people at the end of the פרשה?
עוג and סיחון.
16. What happens in the war?
The Jewish people win the war, and conquer their land.
17. What is the main reason that the פרעה אדומה is considered a חק?
It makes a person pure, but the person sprinkling it becomes impure.
18. Why does it sound like בני ישראל mourned more for אהרון than they did for משה?
Rashi teaches that אהרון was a אהב שלום ורודף שלום.