



Message from the Headteacher

I am pleased to inform you that all of the teaching posts for next year have been filled and that, as was the case with this year's appointments, they are all teachers of high calibre. We look forward to welcoming them to the staff in September.

You will shortly be receiving the enrichment programme for the autumn term. With a larger teaching staff, we are delighted to be able to offer the following new additions to the current list of enrichment activities:-

- animation club
- creative computing
- enterprise activities club
- chess club
- politics society
- games club
- Mishnah club
- Parshah society
- Club Yavneh
- Project Darfur
- GCSE Latin
- rugby
- aerobics
- gifted & talented sports club
- Israeli dancing
- music theory
- drama club

This brings the total number of enrichment activities to 30.

Most enrichment activities will be offered to both Year 7 and Year 8 pupils, which will foster friendships between the two year groups.

Rehearsals for *My Fair Lady* are well underway and tickets will be on sale soon. The main cast will be performing at matinee and evening performances on Tuesday 26 June and at an evening performance on Thursday 28 June. The cast of understudies will be performing on the evening of Wednesday 27 June. Thank you to all those parents who have kindly responded to our requests for assistance with props, costumes and makeup. We have some further requests for props - please see elsewhere in this newsletter.

Parents of children joining Year 7 in September are now receiving *The YC* newsletter, which we hope you are

finding an interesting read. Here is a message for you about Induction Day on Thursday 12 July:-

Please arrange for your child to arrive at the school promptly at 9.30am and to be collected at 3pm. The evening programme for parents will start at 7.30pm and will finish by 9.30pm. If coming by car, please remember to use the Tesco car park and walk through from there to the school; if you attempt to find a parking space in Hillside Avenue you are very likely to get stuck in a traffic jam. You will also provoke the residents, who have no garages and therefore have to park on the road.

Wishing you a Chag Sameach!

Exams R Us

The build-up to Year 7 exams has started in earnest. Mr.Slater is devoting time from his busy schedule of Enterprise and Business lessons, to provide pupils in Year 7 with practical advice in revision and exam technique.

Building up to the exams which will take place Monday 9 - Wednesday 11 July, Mr.Slater will advise pupils in some tips and hints that will help them to be successful. When asked Mr.Slater said 'these exams are the first time that our pupils will be tested in a formal manner, and I want to give them the best possible chance of success'.

The sessions which will run in Enterprise Lessons include techniques for remembering key information inspired by TV illusionist Derren Brown. Mr.Slater explained 'some of the techniques adopted by illusionists like Derren Brown have a real use in school. By using visualisation techniques, we managed to get 100% recall of a 10 digit number, which when tried without the technique, only one pupil got it right'.

Mr.Slater will also guide pupils as the best way to prepare for an exam.

Exam timetables will be issued after half term.

YAVNEH COLLEGE BUILDING UPDATE

The new block continues to progress well, as these photos illustrate:



The science laboratories now have windows, plastered walls, radiators and striplights. The gas, water and power services in the floor and around the perimeter are ready for the installation of the benches at which the pupils will work



This large ICT room now has windows, plastered walls, radiators and striplights. The computer cabling and power required for the desktops are in place, ready for the installation of the benching



The dining hall is a very large area with one wall comprised of ceiling-to-floor windows. With a wood floor, full-length curtains, contemporary lighting, back-projection screen for showing slides, videos etc, and a large catering kitchen, the dining room will be available for hire for functions, accommodating a dance floor and seating for around 150 guests at round tables.



Herts First Annual Youth Festival

On Friday 11th May, all three of us went to the first-ever contribution meeting for children Year 7 and up. We had great fun doing many different activities in different stations. Our first station was all about getting to know all the people in our group (yellow group) and then we had to fill three different paper pizzas with things that we would want to change or see in Hertfordshire (such as rock-climbing or abseiling). We were fortunate enough to have meetings in the council chambers and another one of our activities was an exercise course. We did all sorts of stretches on an exercise ball and then we rode on a machine that finds out how far you could row a boat in one minute. We ended our day with a few talks. One was about the council building a shelter and the councillors wanted to know if we would prefer it decorated or plain. We had a really fun day out and it was a great experience for all of us.

Thank you Mrs. Spelman for taking us out for the day.

Natasha Banks, Channie Orchant, Louis Pampel

Trip to France 12th July 2007



We would like to thank everyone for the prompt return of information required for this trip. A reminder please that it is important we receive a copy of your child's passport and EHIC if you have not already done so.

An overwhelming number of parents volunteered to attend the trip. After a very difficult selection process, we have five parents who have agreed to accompany us on the visit. However, should any adult withdraw at a later stage, further places may become available. We will write nearer the time to provide you with further details about the day.

Wishing you all an enjoyable half-term.

Mr. Slater

Special Assembly

On Wednesday 16th May, Israel celebrated Yom Yerushalayim. To commemorate this day, we had a special assembly on the morning of Tuesday 15th May. Colin Bulka and Warren Kaye of UJIA came in to talk to the children. This was the most enjoyable and informative assembly. The children were able to express their feelings about what Jerusalem means to them. They were shown videos about the history of Jerusalem and of course, the Jerusalem of today.

The highlight of the assembly came at the end when each pupil wrote on a piece of paper his/her own wish to be put in the Kotel.

G'veret Sharpe



Yr 4 Kwik Cricket Festival at Yavneh College
Thursday 10th May
9.30-12.30pm

Yavneh College hosted its first ever year 4 cricket festival. Four out of the five schools in the family attended including, Monks Mead, Clore Shalom, Parkside and Saffron Green. The aim of the day was to give younger students a taste for Kwik cricket and to have fun. There were approximately 120 pupils who played in one of the four pitches in a pool competition. Yavneh college pupils were recruited to assist the primary school teachers with umpiring and scoring. The team which won the pool got a lovely gold certificate and all pupils got a certificate who participated. A good morning. Thanks to all the primary school staff for their efforts in organising their school teams.

A big thank you to our young helpers Adam Isaacs, Mitchell Mayer, Lewis Silver, Olly Davis, Zach Cohen and Michaela Green for their efforts in setting up and umpiring the festival.

Ms M Smith
HOD PE /SSCO Yavneh College

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Important dates for your diary!

Shavuot and half term	23 May - 1 June
YCA Chinese Auction	17 June evening
<i>My Fair Lady</i>	26, 27, 28 June
School Exams	9-11 July
Induction Day - new Yr 7	12 July
Enterprise Day - in France	12 July
Enterprise Day - in school	13 July N.B. school starts 10am
Sports Day	16 July (18 July if weather is unsuitable)

Should parents ever have any concerns about security in the vicinity of the school,
Please contact the CST on

020 8457 9999

MY FAIR LADY

We are seeking the following props for the forthcoming school production:

- ◆ **old telephone**
- ◆ **gramophone with horn**
- ◆ **old metronome**
- ◆ **decanter and two glasses**
- ◆ **old leather suitcase**

If parents have any of the above items that they would be prepared to loan to us, please contact the school office

Many thanks



Well done to 'My Fair Lady' ticket competition winner, Chelsie Benaiah. She produced an excellent design (see above) which will be printed on the ticket.

Congratulations also to the runners - up. Some of these designs will be made into posters.

Ryan Fairbanks
Charlotte Sint
Natasha Banks
Rachel Kass
Emily Simmons
Shannon Engel-Stevens

Orli Gilmore
Daniella Travis
Jessica Tray
Michaela Turner
Tom Schuster
Louis Pampel

Mrs.Massias