



Message from the Headteacher

I am delighted to inform you that Mr Marcus will be promoted from Assistant Headteacher to Deputy Headteacher of Yavneh College from September 2008. Mr Marcus's successor as Head of Jewish Studies will be his deputy, Mr Davis, whose contribution to the JS Department since joining the school last September has earned him this well-deserved promotion.

The Hachasat Sefer Torah on 3 February was a time of great celebration at the school. Having so many pupils and their families present meant that our many distinguished guests were able to experience a taste of the very special community that is Yavneh College. In Shacharit assembly the following morning, the whole school listened as Mr Malcolm Gordon leined from the Sefer Torah, donated in memory of his late father Joe Gordon Z"L; a fitting culmination to a very special weekend.



Hachnasat Sefer Torah

The Hachnasat Sefer Torah on Sunday 3rd February was a very emotional and special occasion for my family and me. It was an honour to be able to be so involved and we were touched at how much of a Simcha it turned out to be, and I hope you all enjoyed the morning as much as we did. My late Father would really have enjoyed it! I am very grateful to all the pupils and parents who were able to attend, as this only added to the feeling of Simcha and celebration. To see a large number of youngsters there made the event truly memorable. I hope there will be many more occasions when we will be able to celebrate at the school together.

Malcolm Gordon

Business & Enterprise News



Since the announcement that Yavneh College has been awarded the prestigious award of Specialist School Status in Business and Enterprise, the school has been swamped with congratulations.

Mr Slater is working hard to ensure that the school is ready to implement all the initiatives that have been planned. Meetings are taking place with the four link primary schools, HJPS, Clore Shalom, Newberries and St Nicholas (Elstree), with our link secondary school Hertswood, and with our community partners Borehamwood Rotary, JABE (Jewish Association of Business Ethics) and Hertsme Worknet.

Meetings have also taken place with our House Sponsors, St Giles and Dedicated Doctors. Dedicated Doctors, sponsors of Ethics House have been making their own news, with the opening of the Chase Lodge Health centre in Mill Hill. Dr Sarah Lotzoff when asked about the link with the school said,

" We are delighted that Yavneh College is going from strength to strength. Its development seems to mirror our own changes, as we grow and develop our provision."



Mr Slater said,

" Dr Lotzoff and her team have been amazingly supportive of the work we have done in Business and Enterprise. I can see a long relationship between the school and all of the people at Chase Lodge Health."

Three more house sponsors are still being sought. Negotiations are taking place with some interested parties, however if you want to get involved, please call Mr Slater at the school.

Les Misérables School Production

Please note that one of the performance dates for *Les Misérables* has had to be changed, to avoid a clash with a Borehamwood and Elstree Synagogue event in which some of our cast are participating. The performance dates will now be **8, 9, and 10 April** instead of 7, 8 and 9 April.

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We are delighted that Levi Luca, the new kosher take-away and restaurant in Borehamwood, has set up a regular 10% discount to Yavneh College pupils. Pupils must be in school uniform and the offer applies to food which they buy before 5.30pm, for their own consumption.

We are delighted to feature below an essay the children of 7V wrote about "The Children of Today". This is a wonderful essay which we would love to share with you all.

G'veret Sharpe.
הילדים של היום

הילדים של היום גרים בבית של אמא ואבא. אבל לא כל הילדים. יש ילדים שגרים בבית בלי אבא או אמא.

הילדים של היום לומדים לא רק בבית-ספר. הם לומדים בבית עם מחשב. ילדים בלי הורים לומדים בפנימיה.

לא כל הילדים של היום כותבים על נייר. הם כותבים גם במחשב. הם גם קוראים על העולם במחשב.

הילדים של היום יושבים בכיתה על הכסא על-יד השולחן ולומדים. הילדים יושבים באוטובוס אבל אם יש מישהו זקן, הם קמים. יש ילדים שיושבים על-יד המחשב כל היום. כשהם לא יושבים על-יד המחשב הם יושבים על-יד הטלוויזיה.

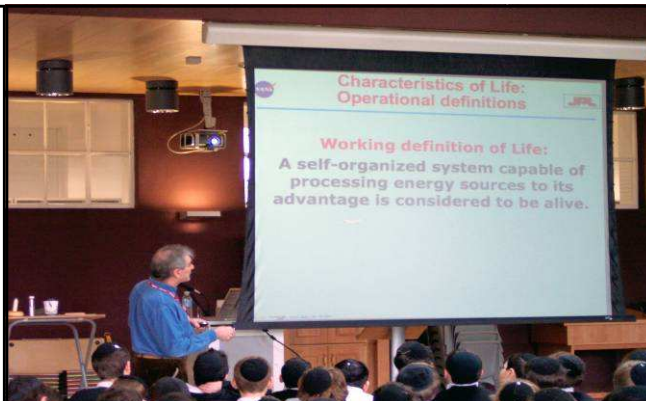
הילדים של היום הולכים לבית-ספר כל יום. אבל יש ילדים שלא הולכים לבית-ספר, כי אין בית-ספר על-יד הבית. יש ילדים שהולכים לבריכה ביום ראשון, או הם הולכים לפארק, לחברים, לקולנוע או לבית-קפה. הרבה ילדים קטנים הולכים למטפלת אם (כי) אמא ואבא הולכים לעבודה.

National Science and Engineering Week 2008

Mrs Shiradski

To open National Science and Engineering week we were privileged to host Dr Max Coleman, Director of the Center for Life Detection at NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory, on Monday 25th February. He managed to excellently combine all the strands of science that our pupils have already studied, to bring us to the point where we would know if there were ever life forms on a planet such as Mars!

Pupils were given the opportunity for questions. The predominant theme seemed to be whether humans could ever live on Mars and how soon would it be before astronauts could go to there!



National Science and Engineering Week Diary of Events:-

Science Competition Tuesday 4th March – the deadline has been extended for entries.

Throughout the week there will be an exhibition of pupils' work on display in room 107 of their own creative ideas to display scientific ideas or concepts. This will cover a wide range of science, and there will be a prize for the most creative display and another prize for the most scientific display.

Friday 7th – Friday 14th March:

Yavneh College Temporary Science Museum open during lunchtime.

Monday 10th March: Science Video

Come to room 106 at 1.35pm for Mrs Pleins' choice of the month science video! It is sure to stimulate and get you thinking!

Tuesday 11th March: Science Quiz

Each form group will be asked to put forward a team of 4 pupils to enter the NSEW 2008 Yavneh College Science Competition. This will take place at 1.45pm in the dining room/LRC.

Wednesday 12th March & Thursday 13th March: Salters' Yr 8 Chemistry Club

Thursday 13th March: Yr 8 Microbiology Enrichment.

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Important dates for your diary!

Parents' Evening 8PK	Tue 4 March
Closed for Easter Bank Holidays	Fri 21 & Mon 24 March
YCA Boutique Evening	Tue 1 April
Les Mis Production	Tue 8 April
Les Mis Production	Wed 9 April
Les Mis Production	Thurs 10 April
Spring Term ends	Tue 15 April
Summer Term Begins	Tue 29 April
Closed for Bank Holiday	Mon 5 May
Closed for Half Term	Fri 30 May inclusive
Closed for Shavuot	Mon 9 June & Tue 10 June
Summer Term Ends	Fri 25 July

**Please note that for the school year 2008/2009,
Winter Fridays (school end 1.15pm) will commence
on 24 October 2008 and will finish on 20 March 2009.**