



Message from the Headteacher

Following Mr Slater's departure at the end of term, the SLT is being restructured. Accordingly, I am delighted to inform you that Rabbi Davis has been promoted to Assistant Headteacher from January 2010. Rabbi Davis will continue to lead the Jewish Studies Department while we recruit his successor.

I am also delighted to inform you that Mrs Nemko has had a baby girl. Mother and daughter Mya are doing well.

Following an extensive external assessment, Yavneh has been awarded the prestigious ICT Mark by Becta, the government-funded body responsible for promoting the use of ICT in Britain's schools and colleges. Many colleagues have contributed to the successful acquisition of the ICT Mark, but the key individual has been Mr Last, Head of ICT, who has always been determined to develop the best possible ICT provision at Yavneh. The final element of the assessment process was a one-day visit by a BECTA assessor, who reported that she was extremely impressed by our vision for ICT, the ICT facilities throughout the school, our network support team, our use of ICT to contribute to high standards in teaching and learning and the enthusiasm displayed by staff and pupils. Her verdict was that we are the third best school for ICT that she has seen during her years as an assessor; given that she has visited numerous schools across England, this is a wonderful accolade.

Work on the final phase of the building works is nearing completion. The quad walkways are in place and the central circulation area - which will house a large school succah - is being landscaped. Further landscaping and access roadways will complete the scheme.

A record number of families have booked places for the Open Evening on Wednesday 18 November for students considering joining Year 12 in September 2010. If you have a Year 11 son or daughter who would like to attend, please contact the school office or email us at openeve@yavnehcollege.herts.sch.uk.

Just to give you a flavor of the work that pupils produce during the Ivrit lessons. This is a conversation between Daniel Greenblatt and Darren Lawrence of Y9, planning their evening outing.

דניאל: מה אנחנו יכולים לעשות הערב?

דרן: אתה רוצה ללכת לקולנוע?

דניאל: כן. אנחנו קונים כרטיסים בלחשבוני?

דרן: לא בקופה

דניאל: נכון, אבל אני רוצה לשחות קוקה קולה.

ואחרי?

דרן: כן. אני גם רוצה לאכול פופ-קורן עם מלח.

דניאל: איזה סרט אנחנו הולכים לראות?

דרן: אני רוצה לראות 'מחוזמר בית-ספר תיכון 3'

דניאל: בסדר גמור. אנחנו יושבים באמצע?

דרן: כן. להתראות בשבע.

SECOND-HAND SCHOOL UNIFORM

If parents have items of good-quality used uniform (including PE kit) that your children have grown out of, the school would very much welcome these to be donated to the school's stock of second-hand uniform.

Thank you.

The Bursar's Office

Careers Ideas

Mrs.Segal

Thinking about your future? Have a look at these websites:

www.forensic.gov.uk Choose "Careers" for careers in forensic science.

www.cache.org.uk Careers in the care and education of children.

<http://www.stepintothens.nhs.uk/> Videos of medical careers incl. some you might not have heard of before.

www.canucutit.co.uk Careers in fashion manufacturing.

Kudos www.cascaid.co.uk Answer a quiz to find out which careers match your skills and interests, look up careers of your choice, and make an action plan. Click on "Kudos". You need to "create a new user" the first time you use the site and input licence name **c39396** (case sensitive) and licence code **goodeasy48**. If you've used it before, put in your username and password. Forgotten your password? Ask Mrs Segal.

eCLIPS www.eclips-online.co.uk Look up careers of your choice, job families or general information such as housing and travel. Enter the password **WD6 1HL** (which must be entered with Caps Lock on and must include the space).

As featured in previous newsletters, boys who forget or lose their kipa during the school day are no longer provided with temporary replacements. If a boy does not have a kipa, he will be provided with somewhere to work on his own. His parents will be contacted and if they bring in a kipa for him he will be able to return to lessons.

Alternatively, boys can purchase a plain black kipa at a cost of £2.00 and return to lessons immediately.

**PLEASE REFER TO
'DATES FOR YOUR DIARY' IN THIS
NEWSLETTER**

**PLEASE SEE TERM DATES FOR
2010-2011 ATTACHED**

Textbooks

Textbooks are very costly items, which are expensive to replace. Accordingly, pupils are expected to look after them carefully. We recommend that you ensure that each textbook is covered with a plastic book cover, available from stationers, or with heavy duty paper.

In accordance with school policy, parents/carers will be charged the cost of replacing any textbook which their child damages or loses.

Parents wishing to contact the Pastoral Managers can now do so directly instead of via the admin email. Please use these new email addresses:-

pastoralmanageryear7@yavnehcollege.herts.sch.uk
pastoralmanageryear8@yavnehcollege.herts.sch.uk
pastoralmanageryear9@yavnehcollege.herts.sch.uk
pastoralmanageryear10@yavnehcollege.herts.sch.uk

For all admissions queries, please use the following new email address:-

admissions@yavnehcollege.herts.sch.uk

G.C.S

Airport and Simcha specialists

7-Seater MPV's

'You have booked your holiday but have you booked your transfer?'

'Don't worry about taking and collecting your kids from Simchas, let us do it for you'

**Call Trevor on
020 8953 4044 or 07956 699268**

**or email
trevor@granatcars.com**

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With the new year starting, we would like to remind parents that if they are driving their children to school, they should not drive down **any** part of Hillside Avenue. You will appreciate that with nearly six hundred pupils attending the school, Hillside Avenue will be chaos if parents use the road to drop-off their children. Can you please use the car park at Tesco, remembering that Tesco do not wish parents to arrive at the side of the store. Please park in the designated parking spaces and do not drop your child off at the corner of the store as this is very dangerous. We should be extremely conscious of the help that Tesco have given the school and comply with their wishes accordingly.

Many thanks for your co-operation.

Should parents ever have any concerns about security in the vicinity of the school,
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Important dates for your diary!

Sixth Form Open Evening for entry in 2010
Year 10 Parents' Evening
Year 12 & 13 Parents' Evening
Chanukah concert (evening)

Last day of term
First day of term for pupils
Year 8 Shabbaton
Year 8 Parents' Evening
Year 9 Parents' Evening
Year 7 Shabbaton
Year 7 Parents' Evening

Wed 18 November
Wed 25 November
Mon 30 November
Tue 15 December, Wed 16 December,
Thurs 17 December
Fri 18 December
Tue 5 January 2010
Fri 16/Sat 16 January
Tue 19 January
Mon 1 February
Fri 5/Sat 6 February
Wed 10 February

'Winter Fridays' (i.e. School ends at 1.15pm) run from 16 October to 19 March inclusive