

# October 2017 Newsletter

September brought in a new beginning. The start of school and a new year. May this new year 5778 bring in only good health, peace and happiness.

Our students have settled in nicely and are already forming a Kehila family unit.

The excitement of Rosh HaShanah echoed through the hallway as songs were learnt, honey and apples were eaten, art was created and so much more. In between the students were refreshing their skills in math, science, English, French and so much more.

As the month of October begins we are thankful and rejoice as we celebrate Sukkot, Thanksgiving, Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah.

School photo's take place on Tuesday October 17th. Please have your child/ren wear a white Kehila shirt and navy bottom. (Extra uniforms are available from the office.)

Scholastic book orders (in your child/ren's file folder) due October 16th.

Because of the short month of September for Tzedakah Fridays we will continue to collect Tzedakah for the Canadian Red Cross Hurricane relief in the month of October.

Wishing you an easy fast. G'mar Hatimah Tovah.  
Michele



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## Upcoming Events

### **Wednesday October 4**

Erev Sukkot

Early dismissal 3:00pm

### **Thursday October 5**

Sukkot – School Closed

### **Friday October 6**

Sukkot – School Closed

### **Monday October 9**

Thanksgiving – School Closed

### **Wednesday October 11**

Early dismissal 3:00pm

### **Thursday October 12**

Shemini Atzeret – School Closed

### **Friday October 13**

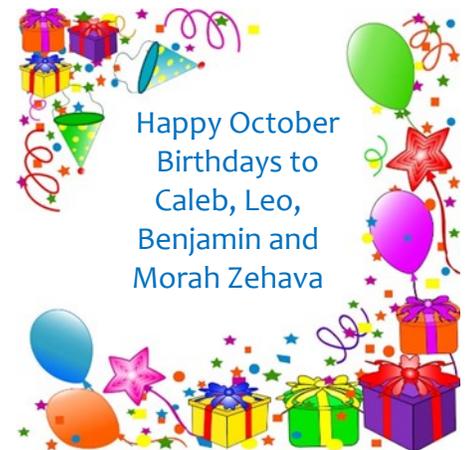
Simchat Torah – School Closed

### **Tuesday October 17**

School Photo's – All students to wear white shirts and navy bottoms

### **Friday October 20**

Lee Academy Cross Country run Grades 2/3/4



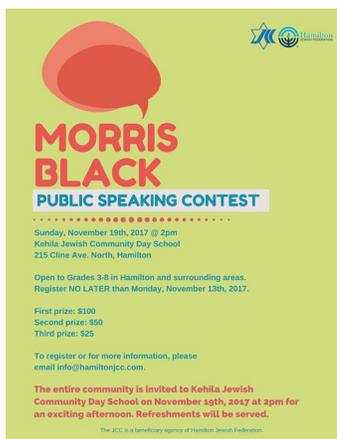
*“The more that you read, the more things you will know, the more that you learn, the more places you will go.” Dr. Seuss*

## Message from the Teachers

### Thank You's

- ◆ Bernstein Dressler (Asher/ Caleb) and Ellison (Evie) families for Kabbalat Shabbat snacks.
- ◆ Bernstein Dressler for apples and honey for Rosh HaShannah
- ◆ The Rochweg family for sponsoring the Brott Music Concert school trip
- ◆ Rabbi Cohen for leading the Tashlikh service at Princess Point

### In Our Community



### Morah Linda

We all had a great start to the New Year. The students have settled down into their daily routines with an eagerness to do their very best:

**In Kindergarten** we explored the sound and symbols of the alphabet and the letters in our names. We are working really hard on correct pencil grip as well as cutting and pasting activities to strengthen fine motor skills. We had fun creating and extending repetitive patterns with manipulatives.

**Grades 1-4** enjoyed completing projects on “When I grow up”. We also explored the “Cycle of Life” from birth to grandparents. Everyone did an excellent job creating and extending patterns using the attributes of size, shape and colour. We will be writing in our agendas every Monday.

**Show and Tell** will be every Friday where students get a chance to bring in an item from home to show their friends.

Please **READ** every night with your children. This develops a life long love of books and reading.

### Morah Zehava

We began the new year focusing on all the high holidays. We completed many exciting activities and art projects. We learned about the different sounds of the Shofar and all the blessings recited at the Rosh HaShanah ceremony.

Our Value that we concentrated on this month was “that which you dislike, do not do to your friends”. To have a friend, be a friend. Treat others with the same respect and consideration as you would wish to be treated and work together towards a productive year.

### Monsieur Pierre

In September we started by reviewing expectations concerning the classroom culture. With the younger children, we worked on letter recognition, which we reinforced with songs and rhymes. For the older students, we began a French unit on family; this offered a springboard for learning vocabulary related to family members. In Math we started with place value. In Science, we are examining and learning about the cycle of life.

Plans for October include a Science exploration of living things, a French unit on classroom objects, clothing, and an introduction to verbs. In Math we'll continue with place value and patterning. All in all, we're off to an exciting start to a new school year! Any parents or friends of Kehila who would like to come read in French with the children are invited and most welcome to volunteer.