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I Run! I Jump!
I Stump! I Laugh!
I Sing! I Create!
I Explore! I Discover!
I Soar!

CJP's new outdoor space, The Sandra and Leon Levine Playground is a place where our students' imaginations can take off and flourish. Our new playgrounds were created to allow children to explore their natural world.

At CJP, we value the power of outdoor play. Many things that our children must achieve are enhanced and developed with a strong outdoor play facility. These include exploring, risk-taking, fine and gross motor development and problem solving skills. More and more in our culture, outdoor play is being replaced with technology. Preschools have been known to take away playground time and in its place put academic standards that push developmentally inappropriate programs at preschoolers.

At CJP We Love To Play!

Play is crucially important to children's cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development. Expert research confirms that the best preschool education is designed around meaningful, enriching, interactive play experience. On our playground, our teachers love to watch their students as they create imaginary worlds. From racing to the top of the grassy knolls to be king of the castle to riding down the hillside slide into the crocodile pit, our students' imagination is getting a work along with their little legs. On our newly constructed hard surface space, the children are shooting balls into the basketball bucket, dribbling, and passing the balls to each other. For those not interested in playing with the balls, this surface is covered with beautiful chalk art. Our student yogis can sit near the trees or discuss world issues amongst the mushrooms. Everywhere you look the preschoolers are actively and happily engaged.

This year, CJP's Open House is on Friday, January 11. We'll be showcasing our world-class preschool to prospective families who will be looking for the perfect place for their children to build a strong foundation for their secular and Jewish education. For more information about having your



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child Learn, Grow, Connect, and Play with us or about enrollment for the 2013/14 school year, please contact Alyson Kalik, CJP registrar, at 704-944-6776 or alik@shalomcharlotte.org. ☆

Havurat Tikvah

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time with the people at Sunrise Assisted Living Center. They also recently organized a sock drive for Urban Ministries and rallied their respective congregations to come together for the worthy cause. In the coming months, they are planning on doing another project with Crisis Assistance Ministry as well.

Havurat Tikvah's calendar for 2012 also includes many wonderful plans for the social action committees such as Project Linus, the Dilworth Soup Kitchen, and Room at the Inn, so please check our website for information on these events. Also coming up: Friday night potluck Shabbat services and Saturday night Israeli Film nights.

Havurat Tikvah is an affiliate of the Jewish Reconstructionist Federation, providing a comfortable, family atmosphere where all Jews can feel welcome. If you are interested, we invite you to visit, get to know us, and to become part of our congregation of nearly 60 households.

For more information about any of our other activities, check out our website, www.havurattikvah.org, or contact our new member chair, Brian Feinglass, either by email (membership@havurattikvah.org) or by phone (980-225-5330). You can also find Havurat Tikvah and Havurat Tikvah Teens on Facebook. ☆

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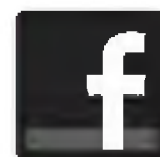
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