

Schools

Saying Good-bye Again

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The end of the school year is always bittersweet for me as a parent, as a teacher and in a unique way, as a director. It's a time of year when we collectively sigh a breath of relief. Schedules lighten up, goals have been accomplished and days are growing longer. Apparently I'm quite a reflective person, as I use this time of year to look back on how the school year went.

Did the teachers accomplish classroom goals? Did children grow in the manner we've expected? What obstacles did we encounter? What did we learn this year for the coming school year?

The Jewish Preschool on Sardis had quite a successful year. We've successfully renewed our



Shaina, Ian, and Ruby celebrating the 100th day of school

North Carolina Five-Star License, welcomed over several new families to the JPS family, exceeded our Annual Campaign goals for the year and are excited about planning for the future. Saying goodbye as our 4s as we send them off to Kindergarten causes us to reflect upon how the chil-

dren have grown, this year and since they've enrolled in school. Some kids have lost baby teeth. Many learned to write their name. They've learned to count to 100 (and many even higher). One group now knows how to identify over 10 different species of birds.

For our youngest group, they've successfully transitioned to the school environment and routines of school. They've learned many new words in English and Hebrew. It's been wonderful to watch them learn to share, to be kind to one another and to develop friendships that will last a lifetime.

They say a picture is worth a thousand words, so here are a few

of our favorite moments from this past year. Wishing all a fun and safe summer.

Spaces available for summer camp and school this fall. Call our office at 704-364-8395 for information. ☆



Jillian and Ory sharing a toy



Ms. Beverly and Ms. Elizabeth's 4s class preparing for graduation

Summer Yeshiva

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found satisfactory answers. At a minimum, the Yeshiva will allow people to delve in to the famed Talmudic logic and explore passages of the Torah with its rich commentary, all in the original text.

As an additional incentive, the Talmud teaches that the 15th of the Hebrew month of Av is the date each year when the days start

getting shorter and the nights begin increasing in length. The Talmud gives a blessing to those who utilize the long nights to increase their Torah study, with the blessing of long life.

The Summer Yeshiva program starts on the night of the 15th of Av, which corresponds to Sunday, August 10. The program will kick off with the afternoon service at

7:30 PM and will be followed by a welcome to the visiting Yeshiva boys, then an open evening class session.

The Chavrusah partner study and all the various courses, will begin on Monday, August 11. To view all the offerings, request a topic, or sign up for specific courses, please visit chabadnc.org after July 1, or call 704-366-3984. You may also email Rabbi Shlomo Cohen at: rabbicohen@chabadnc.org for more information anytime. ☆

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