

Grandparents at Preschool on Sardis

We all know that you can't keep grandparents away from their grandchild. This was definitely the case on October 17 and 18 at the Jewish Preschool on Sardis. Its first ever Grandparent's Day attracted more than 100 bubbehs and zeidehs. Traveling from all parts of the world, New York, Connecticut, Florida and even Scotland, grandparents just couldn't be kept away. You can see why!

The teachers and administrators worked diligently to ensure that grandparents, and other loved ones, got a good look into the school day of their little ones. This special day began long before the dates they were held. Planning began last summer. About three weeks prior to the event, grandparents received a photo postcard of their grandchild inviting them to join the children at school. Who could

resist? The day began with business as usual: play, play, play. Once all of the guests arrived, it was off to the sukkah for a special snack of ice cream and a reading



Bubbehs Harriet Perlin and Judie Van Gish and Zeideh Michael Van Gish enjoyed the time they spent with grandson Jordan.



Sara Freedman is held by her grandmother who came all the way from Scotland.

"I'm so happy my grandson is here," said one proud grandfather. "This morning exceeded any expectations I had." Doesn't that just say it all? ☆

of *The Sukkah That I Built* by Rochel Groner Vorst.

Back in the classroom, grandparents were given the opportunity to share the morning with their grandchild: circle time, singing songs, dancing, painting and doing special craft projects. Students were thrilled to show off all they'd learned for their guests, and the adults were equally impressed.



Grandson Dylan enjoys the last bit of his ice cream as grandparents Dale and Larry Polsky assist him.

New Madrichim Certification Program at CHS

By Stephanie DiPaolo

The Consolidated Hebrew High School of Jewish Studies is offering, for the first time, a Madrichim Workshop, for both students of Temple Israel and Temple Beth El. This required course will be offered each session and is for all first-year Madrichim and those who would like to be Madrichim.

The course, currently taught by Stephanie DiPaolo, is to provide the teacher assistants (Madrichim) the tools to be effective in the classroom and work in tandem with the lead teachers. Students learn proper terminology, their role and responsibility in the classroom, and child development.



Ally Hunt and Liz Makley are making friends at Hebrew High.

fun, creative Jewish learning through puzzles and games.

The class will also take part in a panel discussion with current Madrichim who are at the teaching level to discuss their insights and suggestions for new teaching assistants.



Madrichot Alex Zelin, Sarah Kowitz and Jessica Litt.

The class has demonstrated their knowledge of things learned so far through a highly competitive game of Madrichim Jeopardy.

This joint effort between Temple Israel, Temple Beth El and the Hebrew High School will benefit all students in both of the religious schools, and encourage those interested in turning his or her Madrichim experience into the foundation for a life as a Jewish educator. ☆



Isaac Spil, Evan Klein and Josh Lipack clown it up for the camera

Much time is spent acting out potential situations, whether it's a problem child, or managing the classroom if a teacher is absent. Students receive practical tools for engaging their classrooms in

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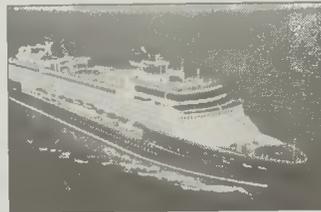
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