

## YESHIVA KETANA OF LONG ISLAND

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We hope that you and your children are having a healthy, relaxing, and enjoyable summer. As always, Yeshiva Ketana is anticipating an exciting year of growth for our talmidim in limud ha'Torah, yiras shamayim, and midos tovos.

The exciting sounds of drills and construction machinery have been ringing in our ears as opening day of the new school year fast approaches. The major construction is moving along in an efficient manner and we are looking forward to the start of the new school year in our new and spacious quarters. The preschool will be housed entirely in our first floor and grades 1-4 will move to the second story of our building. Grades 5-8 will be moving to the third floor and will enjoy the benefits that the new construction has afforded us. Our library, which had been turned into a classroom, will happily be returning. Our Science and Computer Labs will once again resume in our basement level classrooms. Additionally, our basement will house our upgraded Resource Center.

Please note that the first day of Yeshiva for grades 1-8 (limudei kodesh only) will be iy"H on Wednesday, September 4, and the first day of General Studies (full day schedule) will be on Thursday, September 5. The First day of Pre1A will be Thursday, September 5, with an early dismissal. Nursery and Kindergarten orientations will be on Friday, September 6th, with the first full day for Preschool on Monday, September 9. Please check the enclosed school calendar for details regarding arrival and dismissal times.

We are very excited to share news of additions at Yeshiva as we welcome new staff members to our YKLI family. In our preschool division, we welcome back Morah Tzippy Kaluszyner, who together with Ms. Rocky Lugassy, our kindergarten assistant last year, will be our kindergarten Morahs. Both are familiar to all of us, and we anticipate an exceptional experience for all of their students. Additionally, we welcome Morah Devorah Heiman who will be one of our afternoon Pre1A Morahs. Morah Heiman was a Pre1A teacher at Yeshiva Tiferes Yisroel in Brooklyn for 14 years and recently relocated to the Five Towns. We are sure that her positive energy and enthusiasm will help create a happy learning environment for her students where they are motivated to do their best.

As there is an additional 4<sup>th</sup> grade track this year, we are most fortunate to have enlisted a phenomenal Rebbe, Rabbi Chaim Tzvi Weissman, to our roster of Rebbeim. Rabbi Weissman already lives locally and has been active in neighborhood shuls and learning programs. Rabbi Weissman is a talmid of Chaim Berlin and Yeshiva Ner Moshe and has been an extremely successful 4<sup>th</sup> grade Rebbe in Yeshiva Torah Vodaath for the last five years.



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He has also worked as a day camp 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Rebbe in Camp Areivim and Machaneh HaKayitz. We are thankful to HaKadosh Baruch Hu that Rabbi Weissman has accepted our offer, and we are truly fortunate to have him join the YKLI family.

We are excited to welcome Mrs. Taly Aryeh, a YKLI parent, as our new fourth grade teacher. After completing her Bachelors and Master's degrees from Stern and Columbia, she has worked in the field of education for over 10 years, as a learning specialist focused on special education. Mrs. Aryeh has a deep passion and love for children and is dedicated to providing her students with quality instruction in a nurturing and dynamic academic environment.

As we eagerly anticipate the start of a new school year, we ask you all to please work together with us as we pursue all-around excellence in the chinuch of our children. It is imperative that the ideals of the home complement those of the yeshiva. You will Rabbi Shlomo Dovid Pfeiffer receive our YKLI Student Handbook in a separate email next week. Please look out for it, read it through carefully, and familiarize yourselves with the yeshiva's expectations, as they are critical for the success of your child. Please pay careful attention to the dress code when you shop for school clothing. In addition, please review the contents of this packet, and return the appropriate forms as indicated, as they are of great significance. If you have any issues, concerns, or suggestions, please reach out to us. The more we work in tandem on the chinuch of our children, the more we can elevate ourselves to be an even greater makom Torah, as we continue to produce wonderful b'nei Torah who make us all proud.

Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Sincerely, Rabbi Tzvi Krigsman, Menahel Rabbi Avi Schulman, S'gan Menahel