

Shabbat Parshat Ki Tavo
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## A Week of Kindness, Joy, and Wonder!

With love and care from Morah Esther and Morah Gitty

(This is an interactive newsletter: Encourage your child to fill in the blank and answer the questions.)

Trip: This week we held onto a shape rope and took a trip to the \_\_\_\_ mailbox. Why did we go there? To mail our Rosh Hashanah letters! We sent them to our families to wish you a Shana Tova U'Metuka (a Good and Sweet Year)! Did yours arrive yet?

Sing along: Dip the \_\_\_\_ apple in the \_\_\_\_ honey. Make a \_\_\_\_ Bracha loud and clear. L'shana \_\_\_\_ Tova U'Mektuka. Have a \_\_\_\_ happy sweet new year! How do you say apple in Hebrew? tapuach. How do you say honey in Hebrew? dvash.

Craft: What type of jar did we make for Rosh Hashanah? *A honey jar!* Decorate the outside of a baby food jar with red, blue, and yellow air dry clay. Next, press stone and glittery mosaic tiles into the clay! Fill with honey for a sweet new year!

A Peek into the Knobless Cylinders: These are a Montessori work found on the Sensorial shelves. The red, blue, yellow, and green boxes each contain ten graduated cylinders of wood varying in height and/or diameter. Grade the cylinders vertically to build a tower or horizontally to form stairs! Skills include: Visual discrimination of size (largest to smallest, thickest to thinnest, tallest to shortest), coordination, and sense of order.

Sound Pictures: Every letter is a picture of a sound. (Since letters can represent more than one sound, we choose one sound for each letter to start with.) This week we traced the sandpaper /o/ (pronounced "ah" as in hot) and listened to our voices say /o/ in the sound phone. The sound phone has no batteries but when you talk into it you can hear your voice loudly! Next we filled up a page drawing and stamping /o/. Math challenge: Try to count how many are on your page!

Dramatic Play: Our kitchen transformed into a Sukkah! Thank you to Sholom for bringing in schach! We could always use more as the branches and leaves dry out and need to be replaced. Any branches longer than 30 inches would work.

Rosh Hashanah Math: Apple seed counting! Count out 6 "seeds" (smooth black stones) and put it on the apple shape that says 6. Turn over the apple and place one seed on each dot to see if you were right! (This self-correcting feature of Montessori materials encourages children to learn through exploration.) Repeat for all of the numbers 1-10.

Yoga with Morah Sue: Choose an essential oil to smell as you stretch to Tick Tock Yoga Clock, the Butterfly song, and relax your body with deep breaths as you inflate and deflate the breathing ball.

Outdoor Play: Croquet! Can you hit the ball with the mallet? Try tapping lightly and then swinging powerfully. How far does the ball go? Can you control the direction?

Book Highlight: *The 2 Kings: It's My Turn*. By Rabbi Fishel Jacobs. Hashem put 2 kings inside of us. Every time we listen to the good king (yetzer tov), we are teaching the bad king (yetzer hara) how to be a good king too! In the story, when David's sister asked for a turn, what did David's bad king say? What did his good king say? Who did he listen to?

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